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Tories attack 'smokescreen for Cook'

Mandelson accused of fixing news

By Andrew Pierce, Political correspondent

cused last night of leaking details of a security investiga-tion into Chris Patters, the former Hong Kong Governor, and playing politics with the Royal Yacht Britannia, to tryto deflect attention from Robin Cook's marriage break-up.

Sir Brian Mawhinney, the

Shadow Home Secretary, said sterday that the tactics were ridence that the Government ad cynically manipulated the This weekend we ive seen them point the er_at the reputation of Chris Patten and play politics with the royal yacht for no better reason than to divert attention from a number of unfavourable stories and the loss of the Uxbridge by-elec-

The operation is being lirected from No 10 on behalf of the Prime Minister. His are not clean just he is in Toscany.

As Mr Patten spoke out for the first time last night. Downing Street confirmed that the police were not involved in the inquiry, which was described as a Foreign Only 24 hours earlier, as

Office internal investigation. details of the Foreign Secre-tary's affair with his Commons secretary became known. Labour Party spin doctors had briefed the BBC that if reporters asked Peter Mandelson, the Minister without Portfolio, the right questions on The World This Weekend on Radio 4, he would confirm that an investigation was under way.

Jon Sopel, a BBC political



Well, it's goodnight from me and it's goodnight from him

correspondent, confirmed on the same radio programme that Labour spin dectors had tried to talk up the Patten-sury. Labour officials were understandably anxious about how the Cook mar-

 Mr. Mandelson would give the right answer if he was as loke by the unnamed Labour spin doctor. 'In other words, he would stand up the

Sunday Times story." The Times has learnt that the Foreign Office inquiry was ordered last month by Sir John Coles, the Permament Secretary, with ministers.
When the Foreign Office was approached by The Sunday Times on Saturday, officials declined to confirm the existence of the investigation and maintained the same stance

all weekend until the Mandelson radio interview.

Mandelson stood by his decision to confirm the investigation. Sir Robin Butler, the Cabinet Secretary, will be given a report of the inquiry. Mr Mandelson said: This is emphatically not a question of finding a scapegoat or of news management. The decision to investigate was taken by ministers last week because of the seriousness of the leak and its implications. Conveniently ignoring such evidence might have been good enough for the Tories, but it is not acceptable

The disclosures about Mr Patten, who has been accused of passing classified docu-ments to Jonathan Dimbleby, the author and broadcaster. came only 48 hours after the Uxbridge by-election setback for Labour. They were pub fished on the same day that Tony Blair ordered an investigation into the suicide note of Labour MP which blamed senior colleagues for a whis-

"We do not comment on SENSITIVE SECURITY MATTERS ever," one senior Foreign Office source said last night. Mr Patten, speaking to the Reuters news agency at his home in the South of France last night, said: "Allegations made about the book are without foundation. I stand on my record. I left Hong Kong in extremely good condition." In what the Tories claim

was a second diversionary tactic by the Government, Mr



William Hague takes the plunge with personalised headgear — with him are Sebastian Coe and David Harris

Fresh look for Hague

WILLIAM HAGUE's mission to woo young voters prompted him to appear at a Cornish theme park yesterday sporting a personalised baseball cap (Polly Newton writes).

The Tory leader, who was beginning a series of regional tours, went tie-less and wore a nurnle waterproof jacket for the visit to Flambards, near Helston on the Lizard. His cap bore the word "Hague" on the Continued on page 2, col 4 | front and the Tories' latest

slogan, "A fresh future", on the back. Identical ones were donned by Sebastian Coe, former MP for Falmouth and Camborne and now on the staff of Mr Hague's private office, and David Harris, for-

mer MP for St Ives. Mr Harris's cap did not stay the course, however, and was blown from his head as the three men took a soaking on a

The Hague hats were com-

missioned through Conservative Central Office and several were handed out yesterday to members of the public in Cornwall. But, there are said to be no plans for a "tour T-

The image consultant Mary Spillane, head of the Colour Me Beautiful company, was unimpressed by Mr Hague's choice, though she praised the decision to dress down and



Back to the future

Pilot and crew who saved 63 keep feet on ground

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT AND PAUL WILKINSON

THE captain and crew of an airliner which blocked much of Manchester's main runway after it crash-landed were "too shaken" yesterday to speak publicly of the calm profes sionalism that saved the lives

of 63 passengers. Captain John Jones, 40, spent hours with air accident investigators from the Department of Transport as they attempted to discover why the port-side landing gear of the British Aerospace Advanced Turbo-Prop plane failed to lock shut as the aircraft took off for Knock, in Eire, on Sunday night.

Early indications are that mechanical failure jammed the wheel against its housing. Throughout the three-hour drama as the plane circled to use up fuel, the passengers many of them on a pilgrimage to one of Ireland's most revered shrines — prayed and held hands as the crew re hearsed emergency drills.

Yesterday, although execu-tives of British Regional Airlines, which owned the plane. tried to persuade the crew to speak, they refused. Paul Kuiper, the co-pilot, would only do so once the captain who, he told investigators, had shown superb skill and judg-

Mike Bathgate, the commercial director of BRA. said: 'He was obviously shaken up ov it all, but seemed very calm. He talked to the passengers after the landing to make sure everyone was all right, and then once he knew no one was seriously injured he went off for some sleep. He does not regard himself as a hero; he just says it was a team efort and he is refuctant to take all the credit." Captain Jones is married,

and lives near Glossop.

Death-crash pilot, page 3

Silver for Briton in heptathlon

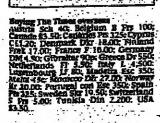
Denise Lewis won Britain's first medal at the world athleties championships in Athens when she took silver behind Sabine Braun, of Germany, in

the heptathion.
Lewis lay second after the long jump but in the javelin could not close the gap on

Death at 122

Jeanne Calment, the world's oldest person, died in Aries, aged 122. Her life spanned the rule of 20 French

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Heart attacks and traffic pollution linked in study

By Ian Murray, Medical correspondent

THOUSANDS of heart attacks may be caused by traffic nollution, according to a seven-year survey of cardiac pa-

One of the most comprehensive studies made of the subject found a clear link between air pollution and one in 50 heart attack patients treated in London hospitals. This was equivalent to 6.000 cases in Britian each year, most of them due to preventable exhaust fumes.

The doctors, led by Jan Polniecki from the Depart-ment of Public Health Sciences at St George's Hospital Medical School, London, based their findings on the 373,556 admissions to London hospitals for circulatory dis-

eases between 1987 and 1994. These were compared against daily measurements throughout this period for This could put an extra strain ozone, nitrogen dioxide, sul on anyone with an already

phur dioxide, carbon monoxide and black smoke. Other factors such as temperature. humidity, day of the week and the 1989 influenza epidemic were all taken into account.

They found that although an average of 145 cases were admitted each day there was a marked increase on the days after a surge in the poliution counts for everything except ozone. All the other pollutants were strongly linked with an increase in heart attacks. Significant, although less consistent, associations were also found between black smoke and angina and between nitrogen dioxide and heart rhythm

disturbances. Carbon monoxide was a particular cause for concern because this gas compromises the way in which oxygen is circulated round the body.

susceptible heart during any form of exertion. This meant that people pushing power mowers and breathing the exhaust from them were at

The report in Occupational and Environmental Medicine says that the evidence from the study shows links between vehicle emissions and circulatory diseases are "biologically Further work is now needed

to investigate the relationship between air pollution and heart attacks, it says. Belinda Linden, cardiac nursing adviser at the British Heart Foundation, said: "This

is an interesting study but needs to be treated with a certain amount of caution. Nobody would deny the link between pollution and lung disorders. When it comes to coronary heart disease it's more difficult."

Lottery's public face steps down

By Jon Ashworth

founding directors of Camelot, the National Lottery operator, resigned yesterday in a surprise move that came just weeks after the latest damaging outery over "fat-cat" pay. Mr Rigg, Camelot's director

of communications, will step down in October, taking with him a long-term incentive bonus of £80,000. The payment is the second instalment under a controversial scheme that plunged the lottery into crisis in May, provoking a showdown with Chris Smith, the Secretary for Culture, Media and Sport, and very nearly forcing the resignation of the Camelot board.

Mr Rigg, 49, who was paid £333,000 last year, denied yesterday that his departure posed a threat to the lottery. adding that he believed now to be the logical time for him to step down.

"I'm project-driven." he

DAVID RIGG, one of the said. "I always have been, and it's the way I'm made, and that's what keeps me getting up in the morning. I need

challenges. He said his departure was not connected with doubts surrounding Camelot's li-cence, which comes up for renewal in September 2001, and Camelot sources said he

had been considering his

future for the past two years. Mr Rigg has yet to secure another job, although he has received approaches over consultancy roles and in-house public relations posts. A former long-serving director with De La Rue, the securities and banknote printer, he was assigned to the lottery project seven years ago, becoming the public face of Camelot. It is estimated that he has given more than 1,000 television interviews.

Director rides out, page 23

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Commons cuts out barber in favour of hairdresser

BY POLLY NEWTON AND ROBIN YOUNG

HAIRCUTS from Hampstead - with prices to match - are coming to the Commons. The contract to replace the barber who has given MPs short back and sides for the past 27 years has been awarded to a unisex hairdressing salon which will style, shape and even highlight the honourable members crowning

Tony and Penny Bergman, who have run John Simon in Hampstead for 26 years, will take over the shop in October when MPs return after the summer recess. They were selected from a short list after 48 applicants responded to newspaper advertisements.

The decision to turn the traditional House of Commons barber's shop into a unisex salon caused controversy earlier this year. Stephen Silverne, 58, had run the shop for 27 years and was popular with MPs who wanted a quick, cheap and fuss-free haircut. He charged £4.25 for a dry cut and £3 for a shave.

The price of a dry cut under John Simon management is expected to be in the region of £7.95, while women who want a cut and blow dry will pay about £24. Mrs Bergman said yesterday: "We feel it's a

great challenge and a prestigious and honourable position to be given." The haircut revolution in Westminster may not be complete. The Hampstead salon also offers customers beauty treat-ments, reflexology and aromatherapy.

mons would soon offer more than basic haircuts but conceded: "We have to go along with what MPs want." Mrs Bergman said plans were already afoot to satisfy traditionalist male MPs who did not want a trim in front of female

colleagues. She said that if a male customer insisted, staff would try to ensure that no women were booked in at the same time. Four assessors, including a hairdress-

ing adviser and a financial expert, visited each of the salons on the short list before the final decision was taken by the Serieant at Arms. A source said: "They took into account a number of factors, including the range of services offered and the track record of the salons.

Mrs Bergman said she hoped the Com-JOHN SIMON Hair & Beauty (ACIAL TREATMENTS

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The treatments on offer

NEWS IN BRIEF

THE family of Gordon McMaster, the Labour MP for Paisley South who was found dead in his car a week ago. said yesterday that they did not intend to publish the two page suicide note in which he criticised two party figures. Mr McMaster is believed to have requested that the comouter-printed letter be distributed to journalists.

A woman speaking on behalf of William and Alison McMaster said that they had no intention of publishing their son's letter and had no comment to make concerning

The letter, a copy of which has been passed to the Procurator Fiscal's office in Paisley along with a police report, is the subject of an inquiry by Nick Brown, the Labour Chief Whip. He was asked by Tony Blair at the weekend to investigare the circumstances of Mr McMaster's death.

The letter contains information about rumours about Mr McMaster that had allegedly circulated in the months before his death. Mr McMaster's closest political ally. Irene Adams, MP for Paisley North, said his political enemies had spread untrue rumours suggesting he was HIV-positive. There were also rumours that the 37 year-old unmarried MP

was homosexual. No official decision has been

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Gordon McMaster was found dead in his car

accident inquiry into Mr McMaster's death. His family is likely to be consulted.

Scotland has no system of inquests; fatal accident inquiries are the nearest equivalent. The local Procurator Fiscal has a duty to call one if someone dies in the course of employment or in custody but otherwise the decision on whether or not to hold a fatal accident inquiry is at his discretion and is usually made on public interest grounds.

Fatal accident inquiries are rare for incidents where there is no public policy issue. They are more wide-ranging than inquests. They are usually conducted by the local Sheriff No official decision has been made by the Fiscal's office as to whether there will be a fatal any witnesses he believes relevant to his inquiry. His recom-

inquiry are binding. The Fiscal also has the power to order police to investigate a particular aspect of the death and he can order other inquiries, such as medical

mendations following the

Mr McMaster, who had been suffering from depression and was being treated for ME, is said to name the Labour MP for West Renfrewshire, Tommy Graham, and the Labour peer Lord Dixon in his letter. Both men have denied spreading rumours or bearing any ill-will towards Mr McMaster.

Friends of the dead MP yesterday said that they felt guilty that they had been unable to save him. The Wigan MP, Roger Stott, said that a previous suicide bid by Mr McMaster had been hushed up. "He was in a very, very bad way towards the end," Mr Stott said. "To his friends in Annie's Bar, this was a disaster waiting to happen. I feel that I should have done more because i knew he was in such a bad state. I think we really ought to have tried harder."

Eric Clarke, MP for Midlothian, another friend of Mr McMaster, said: "I feel a bit guilty about not being close enough to him to maybe have convinced him it wasn't a hopeless situation.



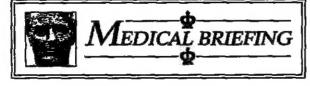
Gaynor Regan, 41, the woman for whom Robin Cook has left his wife

Aches and illusions can be symptoms of depression

had been suffering from depression for some time be-fore his suicide. The task which the Labour Whips have set themselves - to discover the truth, if any, of his allegations — will be

Paranoid delusions occur in one in six depressed patients. These misconceptions often have their origins in a true incident which later becomes distorted and exaggerated in the patient's mind so that the final beliefs bear on relation to the original incident. As the condition deteriorates, so do they frequently find other evidence, acceptable only to themselves, which confirms their initial delusion, and which they recount to others.

The general belief that paranoia is only a symptom of the schizophrenic illnesses



Dr Thomas Stuttaford

pressed patients often take the form of the illusion that the patient is being persecuted by colleagues and erstwhile friends.

It is not denied that Mr McMaster was a sensitive man who was depressed. His tragic mistake may have been to attribute his underlying health problems ills to organo-phosphate poisoning acquired when he was a gardener. There has been a tendency to attribute any ill-

is mistaken and dangerous. defined set of symptoms oc-Paranoid delusions in de-curring in agriculturists to this chemical, and many a true diagnosis has

If Mr McMaster had realised that physical symptoms such as headaches, muscular weakness, heavy legs, digestive problems, nausea, sore throats and breathlessness are also symptoms of depressive ilinesses, as well as chronic fatigue syndrome, he could have had treatment which may have dispelled the depression and anxieties.

Mandelson gave a strong signal that Britannia would be saved through a privately funded refit.

Downing Street echoed yesterday the Ministry of Defence's view that it was just one option among several and no decision had been taken. However, the announcements about the yacht and Mr Patten

dominated the headlines. Mr Blair's Government last week suffered one of its worst weeks since the election. Last Wednesday Labour chiefs suspended the local party in Doncaster amid allegations of council corruption. The row

over the shareholdings of Lord Simon, the Trade Minister, has refused to die. On Thursday. Labour failed to win the

Uxbridge by election. Party strategists feared that the news of the break-up of Mr Cook's 28-year marriage could finally take the gloss off the celebhrationsw of the first 100 days. Sir Brian, in an interyesterday on Radio 4's The World at One, said of the Patten case: "It is a Foreign Office inquiry. Who is the Secretary? Robin Cook. Has Robin Cook been in the news this weekend. Of

course he has. They are trying

to divert attention from stories

There is media manipulation going on precisely to deflect attention from the Uzbridge by-election defeat, from the difficulties in the private lives of ministers, from the problems around Lord Simon and the suspension of the Labour Party in Doncaster."

Mrs Cook, 50, issued a brief statement yesterday. She said: "Whatever my husband's private life may have been, he has always been a very good member of Parliament and is a very good Foreign Secretary. These are the only matters of concern to the public."

Hamilton defence hearing to be on TV

Neil Hamilton will make a final attempt to clear his name when he appears before the Commons committee of MPs investigating the cash for questions affair. The hearing will

The former Trade Minister's role in the controversy which cost four ministers their jobs, will be examined today at a private meeting of the Standards and Privileges.

Committee. Mr Hamilton wrote yesterday to Sir Gordon Downey the Parliamentary Commissioner, to accept an invitation to go before the committee to give his version of events, at a date yet to be decided. He will have to give

Members of the committee have been recalled during the parliamentary recess to deliver their verdict on the role of Mr Hamilton, judged by Sir Gordon to have accepted at least £25,000 from Mohamed Al Fayed, the owner of Harrods, in return for tabling Commons questions.

Strikers halt ferries

Islanders on Arran and Cumbrae, off the southwest coast of Scotland, were cut off from the mainland indefinitely vesterday when 120 Clyde ferrymen went on strike over the yesternay when 120 Clyde terrymen went on strike over the length of their working week. Negotiations were continuing last night. The organisers of the royal visit to Arran on August 9 hope the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will still visit the island during their annual Scottish tour. Transport and police vehicles for their visit were taken across to Arran on the ferry before the strike.

"Turn out' call to Scots

A £200,000 television and newspaper advertising campaig was launched by the Government yesterday aimed at securing a high turnout in the Scottish devolution referendum on September II. A low turnout — putting the don't knows" and "don't cares" in a majority - would be a "tragedy", Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary, said. The initiative follows the weekend decision by Scottish nationalists meeting in Perth to support the mainstream.

"yes" campaign, as well as mounting their own.

Pilot blamed for crash

Pilot error was to blame for the crash of an RAF Jaguar during training in Alaska last year, an official military inquiry has concluded. The pilot was so distracted by opposing aircraft that he failed to realise he was too close to the ground. He cut a 450ft swath through a wooded ridge, taking large amounts of debris into the engines, before ejecting safely. The inquiry into the crash, in July last year, concluded that the pilot allowed himself to be distracted by other aircraft while flying at just 100ft above the ground.

Sex abuser flees to US

A male nanny who sexually abused two boys in his care was at the centre of an international police hunt after fleeing Britain to avoid a prison sentence. Garry Cameron, 30, failed to appear at Lincoln Crown Court for sentencing and is believed to be in America. Judge Richard Jenkins jailed Cameron for 28 months in his absence and issued a warrant for his arrest. Lincolshire police officers are now liasing with other forces in an attempt to locate him, a

Murder case release

Reginald Dudley, jailed for a double murder in 1977, is to be released from prison after 22 years of protesting his innocence. Dudley, 72, who was convicted with Robert Maynard of the killings of the London underworld figures William Moseley and Michael Cornwall, is to be let out of Ford Prison, Sussex, on licence on Wednesday, The cases of Dudley and Maynard, who remains in jail, are being looked at by the Criminal Cases Review Commission, which is considering if they should go the appeal court.

Brixton gun amnesty

An amnesty for illegal firearms is being planned for Brinton by the Home Office and Scotland Yard to halt the rise of gun violence. Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, and Sir Paul Condon, Comissioner of the Metropolitan Police, have discussed the amnesty in detail. It will be the first organised in Britain for a single area rather than a national or city-wide appeal. The Home Office said that no decision had yet been taken but the amnesty was being actively considered and could start in the autumn.

Teletubbies top toy lists

Teletubbies were tipped to storm the Christmas shopping range of merchandise with sales expected to exced 15 million by December Television by December Television market yesterday after the BBC announced the laimen of a million by December. Telerabby soft toys, toothbrushes, pyjamas and videos will be available for the Christmas rush. Retailers expect demand for the four fat characters, who burble in baby-speak and have televisions in their stomachs and aeriels on their heads, to equal that of Buzz. Lightyear and Tracy Island.

Caravan sales going up

Caravan convoys are longer than ever this year. "It looks at last as if the tourer caravan industry has turned the corner. Caravanning has never been more popular," said Tony Hailey, the chairman of the Tourer Marketing Bureau. From a high point of 36,500 in 1989, sales dropped to 20,400 last year. With prices ranging between £7,000 and £20,000 a 12 per cent rise in sales is forecast this year to 22,500, bringing the total number of caravans on the roads to more than being a written. than haif a million.

Redwood accuses **Beckett on shares**

By Andrew Pierce, political correspondent

MARGARET BECKETT has been accused by the Tories of misleading the Commons over the shareholdings of Lord Simon of Highbury, the Trade

It has emerged that Mrs Beckett, the President of the Board of Trade, was mistaken when she told Parliament last month that all the minister's non-BP shares were held in a blind trust. Administration delayed transfer of the former BP chairman's £14,000 shares in Grand Metropolitan.

John Redwood, the Shadow Trade and Industry Secretary, who has led the Tory cam-

minutes.

paign for Lord Simon to dispose of his £2.15 million BP shares, yesterday published written answers from Mrs Beckett which he claimed revealed contradictions.

He has asked her in a letter: "If there had been a delay in the transfer, as the DTI is now suggesting, why did [her written answer] of July 23 not make it clear that the transfer had still not taken place? I can only conclude that you misled the House on more than one occasion."

man said that the shares were now in the blind trust.

Residents delay hospital savings

By Ian Murray, medical correspondent

A HEALTH authority's attempt to save money by temporarily closing two cottage hospitals was blocked in the High Court yesterday. The ruling means that authorities will have to find time to consult with the public before implementing any plans to make savings by closures.

The consultation process. which the court ruled must take place, will inevitably last for several weeks and make it impossible to make savings in time for winter unless they start very soon. The test case was brought against a decision taken on June 4 by North and East Devon Health Authority to shut two 15 bed hospitals at Lynford and Winsford from August 15. This would have saved £215,000 towards a predicted budget overrun of £2.2 million.

Because it was an emerge cy, the authority said there would be no formal consultations with the community health council nor the public. Mr Justice Moses ruled in the High Court that this failure "tainted" the decision. The case was brought by local residents dependent on the hospitals. The judge gave leave to appeal.

Police reverse black actor ban

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

THE Home Office last night vetoed police plans to abandon the use of black actors in promotion tests.

Officials acted after the Police Promotions Examinations Board decided to drop black actors who were used in tests last year for constables hoping to become sergeants. The board decided to reset the examinations using only white

The tests were meant to assess officers' general polic-ing ability, not their handling of race-sensitive situations. But a psychologist's report showed that candidates failed

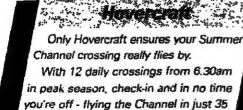
and thought the scenarios were about race relations. The Home Office said yes-terday: "It was a misguided attempt to standardise the examinations. Steps are being taken to reverse the decision and reinstate the ethnic minority role-players.*The black

> Superintendent Glenn Hutton, head of the Police Promotions Examinations Unit, said there had been a "hiccup" in its procedures.

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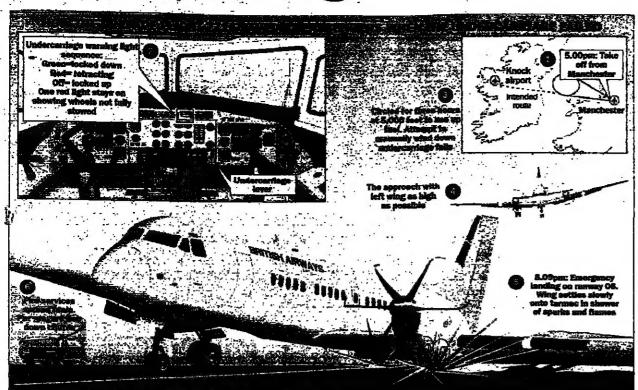
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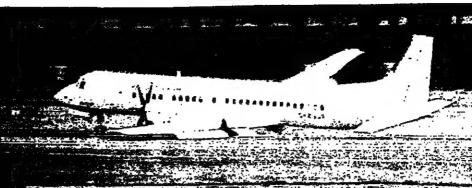
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Nothing to do but hope and pray



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approaching the runway, top, scraping along the before coming to a halt as the fire brigade rush to deal with the threat of an explosion. The firefighters smothered the sparking fuselage with blankets of foam and the crew and passengers escaped down the emergency chute with only two

Air passengers spent three hours in fear for their lives

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

THE 63 passengers on the flight to Ireland, many of them pilgrims making for one of country's most popular reli-gious sites, could do little more than say the rosary and pray during three hours of steadily mounting tension.

They had been told by the calm voice of Captain John Jones that there was a prob-lem with the undercarriage and that they would be spend-ing some time circling the Irish sea to burn off fuel before returning to Manchester foran emergency landing.
But when the co-pilet, Paul

Captain Jones, a 40-year-old senior pilot with British Re-gional Airlines had expected a malfunction. routine 45-minute flight from Manchester to Knock. The eight-year-old turbo-prop airtraft had completed a full theck in May and was thought to be in the best condition.

Shortly before 5pm on Sun-

aircraft from runway 06 at reached 100 miles an hour the retract the undercarriage.

Three green lights showed that the three legs of the undercarriage were locked down for the take-off run. After take-off the wheels should retract and the lights turn red, but on Sunday one remained stubbornly green, indicating that the wheel was not fully retracted and there-fore faulty.

Kniper, walked into the cabin, pulled back a section of carpet, inscrewed a small panel and reached into the bowels of their plane, the seriousness of their position began to sink in Captain Jones, a 40-year-old lowed the instructions for the cabin crew knew better. On the flight deck the two pilots, joth quiet aid cabin, one their "abnormal emergency checklist" and followed the instructions for the cabin crew knew better.

They tried to lower it, then raise it again - but still the small perspex observation hole in the engine cowling the captain could see that the gear had not locked home. One of day evening Captain Jones the cabin crew was called to gently lifted the mose of his the flight deck and briefed. He the cabin crew was called to and his colleagues had to calm

Clearance to land after burning off fuel was granted by air traffic control. Like many of its kind, the British Aerospace ATP turbo-prop does not have a fuel dumping system. To enable a safe landing, the pilots had to burn off almost all the fuel.

For hour after hour the aircraft circled while Captain Jones rehearsed in his mind the procedures he had learns in a flight simulator. In the cabin, the passengers were beginning to feel the tension. "It had all been calm for the first hour," one said. "But then the tension got to people. They were sitting at the back just crying and shaking."

A nun led some in prayer and repeated Hail Marys. Mary Perrick, 84, sprinkled

As the fire brigade stood by Captain Jones lined up the nose of the aircraft with runway 06. At just under 90 miles an hour the nose wheel and the locked-down right-hand wheel touched the tarmac almost simultaneously. One wing was kept as high

as possible until it was no nger possible to keep it from striking the ground. Then he slammed over the rudder to counteract the slewing effect on the aircraft, which by now was surrounded in sparks. In an almost perfect straight

line the aircraft came to a halt on the side of the runway to be surounded by fire engines spraying foam on the flames. to jump on to the slides. Among them were a young couple on their way to their wedding in County Mayo. When the time came all the bride-to-be could think of was her wedding dress in the rack above her head.

There were only two people injured and they had just





My narrow escape in doomed light aircraft

THE pilot of the twin-engined Cessna which crashed at the weekend killing three people appeared to have problems manoeuvring the aircraft on a flight shortly before the fatal

jp: David Wall, the pilot, and fils wife, Christine, who both died in the crash in Hereford and Worcester, had acquired the 30-year-old Cessna only about two weeks ago and offered my companion and I a flight from Elstree in Hertfordshire, where the aircraft was based.

Mr Wall previously owned smaller twin-engined Grunnan Cougar. He made a forced landing on a golf course last year. "Don't believe the stories you hear about me running out of fuel," he said before we set off.

The ten-minute flight to North Weald in Essex was uneventful, aithough we made a relatively heavy landing. It was on our return to Elstree that Mr Wall, who had 3,000 hours flying experience but just seven hours on the Cessna, appeared tense. The alarm which warns of an imminent stall started sound-

Pilot Eve-Ann Prentice reports on the unease she

felt on an earlier flight with couple killed in crash

ing for long periods. Two other acquaintances of the Walls - who leave five sons were also aboard the sevenseater aircraft and all of us on the flight were flying students or experienced pilots. All of us, including Mrs Wall, who was also qualified to fly the Cessna 421, were uneasy that the alarm continued as we pre-

pared to land. Mr Wall, a structural engineer who also owned a small light aviation company, was forced to abandon his first attempt at landing when it became clear that his approach speed and position would not let the aeroplane

position on the runway. We began a low-level circuit to try again. The alarm sounded yet again and I could see the flight instruments. The airspeed in-dicator showed we were at about 65-70 knots after climbing back into the circuit. The stalling speed is 66 knots.

Mr Wall needed to land the

Cessna right at the end of the runway to leave enough distance to brake. We made an extremely heavy landing and my companion, a pilot of 16 years' experience, said he thought we were about to run off the runway.

The aircraft made one more flight after my trip, to Ostend, before setting off on its final journey. The Cessna crashed just a mile away from Shobdon airfield in Hereford and Worcester. Of the two passengers with them, one man was killed and a 20-yearold man is critically ill in hospital. Seconds before the crash, witnesses reported that the aircraft was travelling slowly and that the engines were spluttering. The weather had deteriorated and Mr Wall is believed to have flown into a



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Victims say community service sentence is a joke, reports Tim Jones

THE former wife of a barrister who drove off after crashing her Land Rover through the wall of a cottage, pinning the owner underneath, was sentenced yesterday to 150 hours community service and told to seek help by the judge.

The victim's husband, Peter Trewren, said after the sentence that Heather Edyvean-Driscoll had been treated leniently because of her former husband's position. He described the punishment as

James Puzey, for the prosecution, told Coventry Crown Court that on the night in question last December. Edyvean-Driscoll, 49. had been followed by a taxi driver who saw her weaving across the road between Rugby and Dunchurch in Warwickshire. She had demolished a bollard and crashed into the wall of a cottage. With the airbag of the Land Rover partly inflated. she had reversed in a semicircle and smashed through the wall of the adjoining cottage, causing £15,000

Jennifer Trewren, who had been looking out of the window, was knocked to the floor. When she came to, she realised she was covered in rubble and trapped beneath the rear wheels of the vehicle, which was 7ft into her lounge. She spent two nights in hospi-tal with a fractured heel home, deep cuts and bruising.

Mr Puzey said Edyvean-Driscoll drove out of the lounge and weaved across roads marked with double white lines as she made her way to her home in the village of kites Hardwick. Her vehicle, which was extensively damaged, was driven without lights except for the hazard warning lights.

When police called at her home, she was abusive and refused to take a breath test. She told officers: "Can't do that I'm in my own house." Later, the court was told, after she had been taken to Rugby police station, she was abusive and insulting to officers.

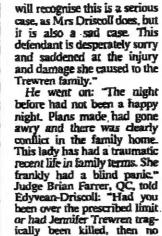
Edyvean-Driscoll pleaded guilty to dangerous driving and failing to stop after an accident. She was sentenced to 150 hours and 120 hours community service, to run concurrently. She was also



Jennifer Trewren: spent two nights in hospital

banned from driving for three years and ordered to pay £500 costs. She pleaded not guilty to failing to provide a specimen and that charge will be dealt with later. The court was told that she had two previous convictions, for drink-driving and for speeding.

James Burbridge, for Edy-vean-Driscoll, said: "The court



fortune than anything else. I cannot pretend it wasn't a case of dangerous driving. You made it worse by then reversing and creating damage to Mrs Trewren's home and her. I am satisfied you were under considerable strain and

immediate custodial sentence.

remind you that in this case

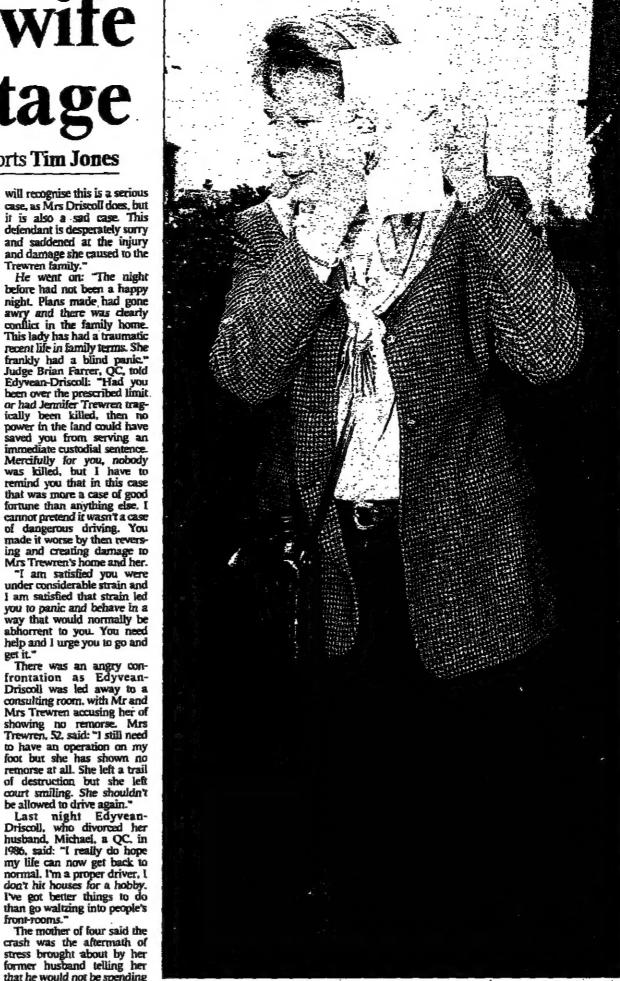
that was more a case of good

I am satisfied that strain led you to panic and behave in a way that would normally be abhorrent to you. You need help and I urge you to go and There was an angry con-

frontation as Edyvean-Driscoll was led away to a consulting room, with Mr and Mrs Trewren accusing her of showing no remorse. Mrs Trewren, 52, said: "I still need to have an operation on my foot but she has shown no remorse at all. She left a trail of destruction but she left court smiling. She shouldn't be allowed to drive again."

Last night Edyvean-Driscoll, who divorced her husband, Michael, a QC. in 1986, said: "I really do hope my life can now get back to normal. I'm a proper driver, I don't hit houses for a hobby. I've got better things to do than go waltzing into people's front-rooms."

The mother of four said the crash was the aftermath of stress brought about by her former husband telling her that he would not be spending Christmas with the family.



Heather Edyvean-Driscoll still faces a charge of failing to provide a specimen

sale of alcopops

A PUB chain yesterday banned the sale of alcopops from its bars. J.D. Wetherspoon, which sells up to 15,000 bottles of alcopops a week at its 194 pubs, made the decision after a month-long trial at one of its London sites.

Tim Martin, chairman of the chain, said: "Alcopops have had a lot of bad publicity and many people are concerned that they are attractive to people too young to drink legally.
"We are not telling other

people to ban alcopops. We just do not want to be associated with the controversy."

Last month the Government announced a package of measures to discourage under-age drinking and sales of alcopops. including making it illegal for adults to buy alcohol on behalf of under-18s and plans to use teenagers to disclose retailers who sell to

Two supermarket chains, the Co-op and Iceland, have banned the fruit-flavoured drinks. Saleway said that from today it would no longer

promote alcopops. The drinks account for about 5 per cent of national alcohol sales.

Peter Trewren and the hole in his cottage caused by the reversing Land Rover

J.D. Wetherspoon said that its experimental ban had shown no impact on takings. Unlike most pub chains. which nursue the teenage market. Wetherspoon pubs do not have music and there are no-smoking areas.

Alcohol Concern welcomed the decision and urged other pub chains to ban alcopops. We need a code of practice that is effective and does not leave the onus on licensees to take unilateral decisions." a

The Portman Group, the drinks industry watchdog, said that the Wetherspoon move was unlikely to have a great impact on under-age drinking. "More important than the issue of which drinks are stocked in a pub is the responsibility licensees have in not selling alcohol to under-18s," a spokesman said. "Just banning alcopops will not necessarily prevent young people obtaining alcohol from

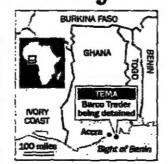
Pub chain bans | British skipper stranded | Golden end for as stowaway vanishes

A BRITISH sea captain is stranded aboard his ship in Ghana amid accusations that a stowaway was killed and thrown overboard. The Barco-Trader is not being allowed to leave the port of Tema until Captain James Edge, 56, and two crew members are handed over to the authorities.

The captain's wife. May, of Weymouth. Dorset, said that the move was an attempt by corrupt officials to export money from the merchant ship's German owners, and accused the Foreign Office of abandoning her husband for nearly three weeks and not doing enough to seek his releasi

The ship follows a trade route between West Africa and Europe. A male Ghanaian stowaway was discovered on a journey from Ghana to Antwerp.

The man was said to have been put back ashore after the ship off-loaded its cargo and returned to the port of Dakar on June 27. But II days later, when the Barco-Trader was



immigration officials detained the ship and prevented it from leaving harbour. They refused to accept that the man was put ashore, and maintained that he must have been killed and thrown

Mrs Edge said: "The ship is now floating at anchor and they will not let it leave with my husband on board. They are running out of food, and things are getting very hard for him.

The owners are sending a new skipper out there to take over the ship, and my husband will be brought ashore and held there along with his first officer and bosun.

but the immigration people are a law unto themselves. The Foreign Office have done absolutely nothing to sort the situation out, and once the owners have their ship back my husband will just be

forgotten."
The Foreign Office confirmed yesterday that Captain Edge and his vessel had been detained, and said that diplomats had been trying to help. A statement said: "We can confirm the detention at Tema of Captain John Edge and his vessel the Barco-Trader. Consular staff in London have spoken to Mrs Edge, and the British High Commission in Accra has been in touch with

Captain Edge.
"We have also been in contact with the Ghanaian authorities, according to whom Captain Edge is being questioned regarding the death of a Ghanaian national alleged to have stowed away on board the Barco-Trader. The Barco-Trader is Cyprus registered and German-owned, and we will render Captain and Mrs Edge every

buried treasure

THE final hoard of relies to be acquired for the nation under the medieval law of treasure trove was unveiled at the British Museum yesterday.

The collection of 22 Roman gold coins from West Sussex was "seized to the Crown" by the Chichester Coroner last month. The coins, now destined for Worthing Museum. span the reigns of seven emperors with the most recent. minted in AD 461, making. them the latest Roman hoard ever found in Britain.

Until now, the motive behind the burial of such a hoard had to be puzzled out by a coroners jury: if there was evidence that gold or silver was hidden for later recovery, it was declared treasure trove and seized to the Crown -in effect, passing into a national or local museum collection, if, on the other hand, it was heldto have been lost, or buried for eternity in a grave, it belonged to the finder, who could sell it. Often the evidence was ambiguous: ancient minds are difficult to read.

ing with the Treasure Act.

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

finds is far higher than that of isolated pieces lacking context. Finders will still have to

which was passed last year. It will come into force on September 24. and yesterday. Mark Fisher, the Arts Minister, launched its accompany-

ing code of practice. Treasure" will now include all objects with more than 10 per cent gold or silver -previously the amount of pre-cious metal was not specified and could be minimal - and more than 300 years old; whatever their circumstances

of burial or discovery. It will also embrace objects made of other materials, such as pottery, found with pre-cious metals. The archaeological value of such complete

report their discoveries to the coroner, or risk a £5,000 fine or three months jail. Rewards will continue to be paid, after valuation by an official com-mittee, on finds that museums want to acquire. Landowners and occupiers will for the first time be eligible for rewards, as well as finders.

NEWS IN BRIEF Road tax cheats face the clamp

The Government has recruited wheelclampers for a campaign against road-tax evaders. From August 18 vehicles without tax discs will be clamped and owners will have to pay £68 and show a valid tax disc to remove the clamp. Vehicles will be imounded if not claimed in 24 hours and the release

fee will rise. If vehicles are unclaimed after five weeks, they will be crushed or sold at auction. In a London pilot scheme. nearly 60 per cent of crushed or auctioned.

Lost garden

couple who spent £10,000 creating a garden have been told to turn it. back into farmland by their council. Elaine and Trevor Pearce, of Norton, pear Worcester, planted 53 trees, 100 shrubs and turf worth £2,000 without

Shot baby case \

A 14 year-old boy was accused of shooting a haby girl in the head with an airgun at Hetton le Hole, Type and Wear Magis traies remanded him into local authority care until

Jaws of defeat

A shark which had been taken to an aquarium in Dingle, Co Kerry, by fish-ermen was taken offshore in a trawler and thrown overboard after attempting to bite staff. "It was a vicious thug of a thing, so we had to let it go," an official said.

Bathed in art

The Arts Council is awarding £4,176 to a Bristol arts group that is to stage an exhibition featuring a scum line on a bath. The show looks at living in a block of flats. The curator said: "It is an ironic comment on how art becomes part of one's identity."

Jogger remands

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Alan Naylor, 26, and Croesery, South Wales, and a youth, 17, were remanded in custody by Bridgead magistrates charged with murdering a jogger who was stabbed as he chased burglars from his home last week.

Farm pest alert

Farmers in Essex were warned to check their fields for colorado beetles after inspectors at Harwich found an infested load of melons and potatoes in a lorry Greece. The pest, upyears, can ruin crops.

Post marked

The oldest, most northerly and most unusual post offices in the country feature on a new set of stamps to be issued next week. The four stamps, on sale from August 12, mark the centenary of the National Federation of Sub-Postmasters.

CORRECTION

Tilda Swinton conceived and performed The Maybe (article, June 18) at the Serpentine Galleryin 1995 with an installation created in collaboration with Cornelia Parker.

Cyprus assault case puts Army in dock again

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

THE disciplinary record of the British Army in Cyprus will come under the spotlight again today when four British soldiers appear before a court in Larnaca to answer charges of assaulting two British tourists in the resort of Ayia Napa.

Two holidaymakers from southeast London. Shane Bell, 27. of Eltham. and Barry Ford, 23, of Lee. and their girlfriends, were among a group of six people allegedly set upon by about eight off-duty soldiers as they were leaving a disco in the early hours of Saturday. Mr Bell has a broken jaw and Mr Ford has a fractured hand. Mr Ford said that his girlfriend, Claire Harbour, 22, had had to have her wrist X-rayed and that it was badly bruised.

Cyprus police named the four soldiers, all of junior ranks, as Roger Bell. 26, Tim Carter. 27. Steven Wolstencroft. 26, and Steven Girvan, 20. If they are found guilty, all 600 soldiers from their regiment, the 1st Battalion, the King's Regiment, which is stationed at the British sovereign military base at Dhekelia. are likely to be banned from Ayia Napa, an army spokesman said last

It was the same resort where three Royal Green Jackets had been drinking heavily the night they sexually assaulted and battered to death the Danish tour guide Louise Jensen in September 1994. After her death. army commanders had declared the neon-lit resort out of bounds to all British bases personnel and those serving with the United Nations peacekeeping force, but as discipline improved the ban was gradually reduced to a curiew and finally lifted five weeks ago, on July 1.

In May, three drunken Royal Marines who cavorted naked in an Ayia Napa pub singing God Save the Queen were each fined \$180 by the

OFFICER FACES CARPETING OVER CLASS ATTACK

AN ARMY major who attacked the Armed Forces' 'autiquated" class system is to be interviewed by a senior officer today.

Major Eric Joyce, of the Army Training and Recruitment Agency, wrote a highly critical article for the left-wing Fabian Society, warning that the Armed Forces could not contin to be run only by public school-educated officers and should root out prejudice in

court in Larnaca. As a result, the

regiment's Commandant-General. Major-General David Pennefather.

last month indefinitely banned the

entire 6,000-strong Royal Marine

extremely few and far between and

"Cases of indiscipline have been

Corps from training in Cyprus.

class, gender and race. He wrote: The role played by social class and the centrality of outmoded Victorian values are now acting as powerful inhibitors in our efforts to deal effectively with our dire manning crisis." But John Spellar, the

unior Defence Minister, said the picture painted by Major Joyce was "not a picture that I recognise". He said the key issue was under recruitment.

said. Each of the four has been charged by Cypol [the Cyprus police force] with assault occasioning grievous bodily harm," he said. The four soldiers are being held

this latest incident of an alleged

assault is very regrettable," an army

spokesman. Mervyn Wynne Jones.

under close arrest in their barracks pending their court appearance." said Mr Wynne Jones. The Commander of British Forces views the matter with considerable

concern and every assistance is being offered to Cypol in their investigation of this incident," he said. The commander will be monitoring the case closely and a resumption of the off-duty out-of-bounds restrictions in Ayia Napa is likely to be imposed upon the unit concerned", Mr Wynne Jones added.

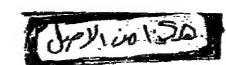
Cypriots had long accused the British Army's top brass of turning a blind eye to the drunken brawling of off-duty soldiers before the Jensen

killing. Incidents such as that which allegedly took place on Saturday, belie the improved disciplinary record of off-duty servicemen in Cyprus after action to curb drunken and loutish behaviour was an nounced by force commanders following Ms Jensen's death.

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Designer wins legal aid for fashion fight

Mark Henderson on the Givenchy dress that sparked a damages claim



The Givenchy dress modelled by Eva Herzigova

A FORMER fashion student who claims his design for an "off the breast" dress was copied by Alexander Me-Queen, the designer-in-chief

for the Parisian courure house

Givenchy, has been granted legal aid to pursue a damages

Trevor Merrell, 35, from Depriord, south London, is to sue McQueen and Givenchy for breach of copyright over a dress undelled by Eva Herzigova in Paris in January, which he says was based on one that he had designed for a fashion show on the Isle McQueen denies the

accusation. McQueen's white, anklelength dress, which was cut low over the model's right breast, caused a stir when it was shown as part of his first Givenchy collection, which had a Greek mythological

Merrell's dress, which he entered at the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup collection in June 1995, was made from a different material but was also designed to show the model's right breast. She had to wear a flesh-coloured Tshirt underneath as the show's organisers considered

the original too revealing. Trino Verkade, a spokes-man for McQueen, said that he had never met Merrell nor seen any of his designs. "It is absurd to say that, because both dresses are white and have one shoulder, that one is



Trevor Merrell, left, claims that his design was copied by Givenchy's recruit. Alexander McQueer.

yesterday. "It wasn't the first." College of Fashien, where he sign like that and it won't be the kist. Are people going to start suing anyone who makes a strapless black dress because it's been done

Ms Verkade said that McQueen, the 27-year-old sunof a taxi driver from east London, would fight the case and was confident of success This chap is doing this for the publicity, not because he has a case," she said. "Alexander McQueen is a big name and it is a good way for him to

Merrell's dress was lost after the show and he was compensated by the London

was a student. He said that he had always been suspicious about what had happened to it and was assonished when he saw new-paper photegraphs of the McQueen outili. I couldn't believe it." he said "The dress looked just

"I do not believe the sintilarities are coincidental." he said. It would be realy remarkable. Eva Herzigora was even wearing an antient

Greece-style headdress, as was my model." Merrell said that his solicitors had told him he had a better than even chance of

winning his case and that he

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The student's creation, worn with a T-shirt

Riders would rather not be saddled with unbridled passion

BY ROBIN YOUNG

RIDERS are not all that Jilly Cooper crucked them up to be. Fur from insatiably rolling each other in the hay, two out of three prefer the company of their horses to that of their

A survey of 1,000 riders shows other signs that the horse is the real focus of their affections: they sneak off work for secret riding sessions, they confide their problems to their horse, and they try to keep the costs secret from their partners.

in Cooper's steamy blockbuster. Riders. memorably jacketed with the rear view of a pair of taut jodhpurs, horseowners and stable hands were portrayed as fit for stud in their own right. In reality, the survey by Gallop! magazine has found that horses are way ahead in commanding obses-

Not only do 63 per cent of riders say they prefer the horse's company but, even if it came to a showdown where they had to give up their parmer or their horse, a quarter would choose the hurse and 47 per cent said they could not decide.

Only 19 per cent said they preferred holidays just with their partners, leaving the horse at home. Nine-tenths of women riders said they would rather have a new horse than a haby, on the ground that you cannot ride a baby or leave it

Half the riders admitted to



The bottom line owners say truth is less exciting

from work for secret riding sessions, and some admitted that they confided their problems to their horse rather than their partner, as they got a more sympathetic hearing. Unsurprisingly, 53 per cent of the horse-owners' partners were jealous of their equine rivals. Only one third shared their loved one's passion for

Although half the horseowners thought they looked sexy in their riding gear, and found other people in jodhpurs a turn-on, three quarters did not think they were more likely to have an affair than those with other hobbies.

Maureen Collins, of Gallop!, said: "Riding a horse is like a drug - one gallop and you're hooked for life. People are passionate about it."

Cooper said: "Nothing surhaving absented themselves prises me, particularly with

obviously love animals almost as much as anything else, but the findings are really a sad indicument on modern relationships. It suggests people are not communicating with each other and are instead escaping with their horses."

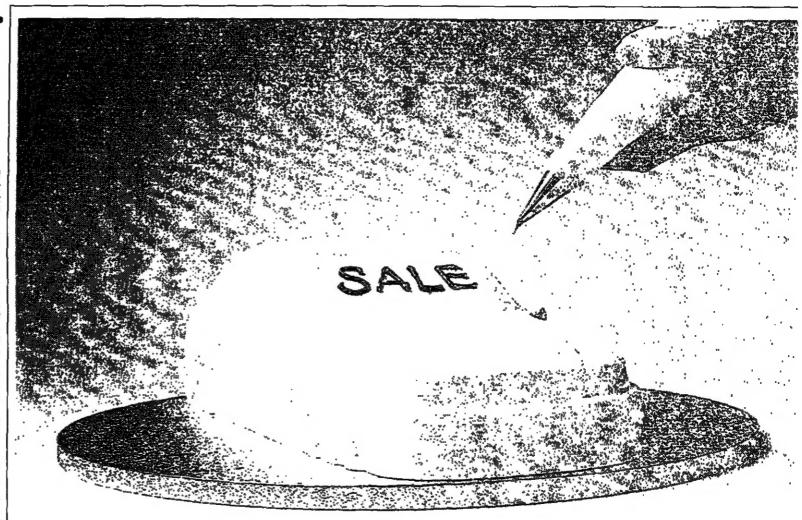
While horses may indeed represent some relief from domestic trouble and strife, they are themselves expensive and troublesome creatures. interviewed had been injured by their four-legged friends. with almost half the catalogues of resulting physical damage including broken

The average purchase price for a horse was £1.610, with owners in London and the South East spending the most, on average £2,023, compared with those in Ireland who had

Riders spent a further £95.34 a month to stable their horses, plus an average of £131.71 annually on vets' bills and £213.38 on a year's insurance - a total additional annual bill for essential run-

ning costs of £1.489.17. Half the owners admitted deceiving their jealous partners about how much their horses really cost, and more than a third admitted being driven into debt by their love

of hurses. consuming than human partners. The average horse-owner spends 10.5 hours a week grooming the animal and 8.5 hours in the saddle.



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Bird's-eye view reveals allure of opposite sex

By NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

THE sex appeal of the male starling has much more to it than meets the human eye, a study of the birds' mating hehaviour has shown. Starlings can see in the

ultraviolet region of the spectrum, outside the range of human vision, so ornithelegists have been unaware of the special allure that females find in the dark, iridescent plumage of the males.

A team at Bristol and Regensburg universities proved the existence of the starling's ultraviolet sight by watching females as they were introduced to males. The females' interest can be assessed by the length of time they stared at the males, or the number of times they hopped up and down while

looking at them. Using transparent films to block out ultraviolet wavelengths, the team showed that females made different



The starling: hidden powers of attraction

choices when denied the use ultraviolet frequencies. They were still able to choose but appeared to do so on some different basis, perhaps judging the way a male displayed his feathers.

Reporting in Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. Andrew Bennett and colleagues say that the strongest signals in the ultraviolet region of the spectrum come from the feathers around the male's throat. As long as this ultraviolet signal

males consistently picked the same males. But when it was filtered out, their choices changed. "The ranking was completely different." Dr Bennett says. "What we cannot tell is what exactly the birds were seeing that we cannot see, but we do know that it is important to them."

The study is interesting, he says, because, ever since Darwin, ornithologists have seen animal colour patterns from a human perspective. Bright colours are believed to act as signals to the opposite sex. particularly when mates are being selected. But if birds are using a different wavelength to make their choices, then many of these studies may need to be reconsidered.

Dr Bennett says that further experiments are needed to show whether the ultraviolet is a special waveband for avian signalling, or whether it is used to convey the condition of a male, rather than attractiveness.

SALE OFFERS AND 3 YEARS PEACE OF MIND? THAT'LL BE THE AND DAEWOO.

Playwright to inject new life into This Life



Ravenhill: will create

ONE of British theatre's most avant-garde talents has been asked to help to develop a third series of This Life. BBC2's hit twentysomething drama.

Mark Ravenhill, whose West End play Shopping and ... deals with drugs, prostitution and alienated youth, is in advanced talks with the producers of the show. which ends its second series this

It is understood that Mr Ravenhill, 31, has been asked to provide ideas to inject an even more young lawyers sharing a house. Episodes have already featured homosexual sex and drug abuse.

The BBC has received a deluge of calls from fans who fear that the episode on Thursday - repeated on Saturday - will mark the end of the drama. It is not yet clear how many, if any, of the five main characters - Miles. Anna, Egg, Milly and Ferdy - will be involved. World Productions, which makes This Life, refused to comment.

Mr Ravenhill's spokeswoman and the BBC confirmed yesterday that he was having discussions with World Productions. A BBC perately keen for a third series, but we don't know which characters would remain. One of the premises of the drama is that it is based on a household, and in households people move on and new ones come in. That is real life.

"However, it has done for us exactly what we wanted it to do attract a younger audience to BBC2 - and we want it to return. There is enormous interest in it."

The programme, which attracts more than four million viewers, has avoided having a soap opera feel by using a variety of scriptwriters - ten over the past 21 episodes.

the actors, especially Jack Davenport, who plays Miles, and Daniela Nardini, who plays Anna, were unwilling to return because they had good roles elsewhere: Davenport said yesterday: "It's certainly not the case that I wouldn't do a third series if they made one. Not at all. I love the show, the writing's great, I like the people who work on ... it. But no one has asked me to do a

Amita Dhiri, who plays Milly, said: "There is another one being written, but I don't think we'll be anything to do with it. When the first series ended, we were put on a .

third series.

been." Nardini is to star in Big Women, a Channel 4 drama written by Fay Weldon. In it she will, play a feisty feminist. Big Women will also feature Natasha Little, who plays Francesca, Miles's fian-cee, in This Life. World Productions is owned by

Tony Gamett, who also makes the popular programmes Ballykiss angel and Between the Lines.

☐ Future episodes of Friends, the American series said to have inspired This Life, will each cost

\$4 million (£2.5 million) under a

deal agreed yesterday (Tunku

The cast, who negotiated collectively, will be paid \$80,000 (£50,000) each per episode. They had threatened to leave the series, produced by Warner Brothers, if

they did not receive \$100,000. The deal, one of the most expensive in television history, will extend Friends to 1999. It is one of the two most popular programmes

on Channel 4.

The series has a simple formula: the stars, three female and three male, do little more than hang-out at home and in their favourite cafe, mulling over the challenges of life and love that face twenty-Varadarajan in New York writes). somethings in New York.

Taffy the goat joins salute to Queen Mother

QUEEN Elizabeth the Queen Mother gives every impression that she will see out the century that began a few months before her birth. Yesterday she went walkabout for a good half-hour among the crowds who had gathered outside her London home to celebrate her 97th birthday.

Several thousand tourists and wellwishers crowded the pavements around Clarence House for a glimpse of one the oldest patients on record to have a hip replacement operation, who was born during the Boer War in Victoria's reign, in the year that Marconi took out his patent for the wireless and three years before the Wright brothers made their

Dressed in a cloud of floralprinted pink chiffon, the Queen Mother looked remarkably sprightly for her years. She made much use of a brass-handled walking cane, but the bondages that have disfigured her legs for many years had gone and she managed two lengthy spells under her own power, greeting the crowd, shaking hands and receiving mountains of

She was followed by the traditional royal golf buggy, recently resprayed in a fetching scheme of gold and duck-

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reports on a sprightly royal walkabout to

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cepted a lift in it, but not before she had accepted dozens of flowers from children in the crowd and her traditional flute of champagne from a red-coated assembly of toastmasters

At the start of her walkabout she was accompanied by her grandson, the Duke of York, who was offered champagne from the same 20-bottle Nebuchadnezzar, but in his case in a polystyrene cup. As soon as the 45-minute walkabout was over, the Duke shot off in his dark-green Aston Martin to Wentworth golf course, where his former wife was hosting a match in support of one of her few remaining charities, the Motor Neurone Disease

Association. During her walkabout the Queen Mother was presented

with a laurel wreath by two children representing the Friends of War Memorials. It was intended as a reminder that many memorials to the war in which she and her husband, George VI, were the figureheads of a nation in conflict are now neglected and

Among the regular royal watchers in the crowd was Colin Edwards, a retired local government officer from Macclesfield, Cheshire, who read the Queen Mother a poem that he had written for the birthday celebrations.

Mr Edwards, 56, said: "She said that my poem was the best I had written yet, but I joked, 'Oh, you say that every year,' and she laughed. I told her that I would be here in three years' time for her 100th birthday celebrations and she just kept on laughing."

Before her walkabout the Queen Mother had been serenaded by the band of the 1st Battalion, The Royal Regi-ment of Wales, playing Happy Birthday in the street. The fact that the band was preceded by Taffy, the regimental goat. puzzled the large contingent of American tourists.

Later, most members of the Queen Mother's greatly ex-tended family joined her for lunch and briefly posed for a



Acknowledging the crowd's greetings outside Clarence House, in the company of the Prince of Wales and Princes Harry and William

group photograph at the Clarence House gates as a drizzle began to descend. The party included her two children, the Oueen and Princess Margaret, four of her grandchildren.

the Prince of Wales, the Princess Royal with Captain Timothy Laurence, Lord Linley with his wife, Serena, and Lady Sarah Chatto with her husband, Daniel. There were crowd of public and press.

Prince William. He is now taller than his father but looked painfully shy and uncomfortable in front of a large

reatgrandchildren too, led by Prince Harry was joined by the Princess Royal's children, Peter and Zara Phillips. Missing from the family group were the Queen Mother's grandson. Prince Edward.

who was thought to be filming burgh, who is at Cowes, and the Duke of York's children. the Princesses Beatrice and

Five held for death of Briton

> FROM INIGO GILMORE IN JOHANNESBURG

POLICE in South Africa have arrested five suspects in connection with the killing of a British surgeon last week in a township in KwaZulu/Natal after his vehicle was hijacked at gunpoint.

Police said that they had recovered the minibus belonging to Spence Alexan-der in Esikhaweni, a township where the hijack. ers had stopped at a petrol station. Dr Alexander was attacked while trying to escape. He was stabled and shot by the gang, who drove off in his minibus. Bystanders took him to a clinic in nearby Empangeni. where he died.

Dr Alexander, 38, who was born in Aberdeen and trained in Cardiff, had moved to South Africa in 1990 with his wife, Jean, who is also a doctor, and had been living in Empangeni. The couple had three children.

The suspects will appear in court tomorrow.



THE British mountaineer stranded for a week in the Himalayas after an improbable encounter with a chapan was finally flown to safety yesterday.

Alan Hinkes, who was at-

terroting to become the first Briton to scale the world's 14' highest peaks, slipped a disc after flour dusted over the unleavened bread sent him into a sneezing fit.

After a painful and frustrat-

ing week eking out supplies of food and painkillers at base camp halfway up the 8,125-metre Nanga Parbat, the climber from Northallerron. North Yorkshire, was rescued by helicopter early yesterday. He landed in Islamabad where he was examined by Dr Rifat Zaidi, an orthopaedic specialist who grew up near

"I'm already feeling better," he said. "The doctor said it could take more than a month to recover from the injury but I should be able to start working out in the gym in a week." Mr Hinkes is staying with friends in the city and will be going into hospital for daily

Northallerton.



Hinkes he slipped a

treatment and physiotherapy before returning to Britain to rebuild his fitness.

During his ordeal Mr Hinkes, 43, became increasingly annoyed as the helicopter repeatedly failed to reach his camp at 4,000m. They claimed the base camp was too high for the helicopter but 4,000m is within its range," he

Still in agony, but tired with waiting, he packed up his equipment and, with the help

3,300m, where it was easier for rescuers to meet him. His efforts paid off yesterday makeshift beacon to attract the pilot's attention: "I got my cook to build a bontire, with branches from nearby shrubs, and to make a big 'H' with stones on the ground, then just before dawn broke I called the helicopter firm on my satellite

The chopper left Islamabad about 7.30am, the pilot knew where to come and when we heard it approaching we lit the fire and this time, after all the daily disappointments, it

Mr Hinkes, who is a conspltant to the outdoor clothing manufacturer Berghaus, said he intended to resume his challenge as soon as possible. He hopes to become the first man to climb six Himalayan peaks higher than 8,000m in a year. His next targets are likely to be Dhaulagin, the world's such highest peak at 26.795ft, and Annapurna, the tenth at 25,546ft, both in the Nepallise Himalayas, in Sep-tember and October

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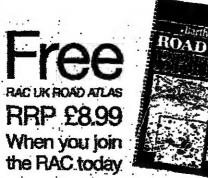
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Repeat cautions 'used too often'

By Stewart Tendler, Crime correspondent

FEWER offenders are being given repeat cautions by. police, according to the Home Office. But there are wide variations between forces on the use of cautions and informal warnings.

Only six out of 42 forces in England and Wales said they would not use a caution for an indictable offence. Other forces said they would take into account the exact details of the crime before making a decision. Many said they also used discretion in decisions, rather than using the gravity of the crimes as a guide.

The research, published yeserday, was carried out in 1995. adults and juveniles cautioned

people aged from 18 to 20 continues to increase. The researchers said this may be due to a policy of using cautions to avoid bringing people into the criminal justice system. There are also wide variations in the use of infor-

mal warnings.
Alun Michael, Home Office Minister, said cautions could be an effective weapon for some offenders. The research showed that too many repeat cautions were still being used for juveniles and the Government was committed to put a stop to repeat cautions. Instead, young offenders will be given a final warning before being taken to court.

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Queen who meddled in history

The second in our series on the Victorian Age focuses on

the leading role of the monarch. Alan Hamilton reports

VICTORIA may have been a model of domestic life, and our longest reigning monarch, was mortified to discover that who gave her name to an age, her teenage son. Bertie, the and about whom we know future Edward VII, relieved our longest reigning monarch, who gave her name to an age, and about whom we know more than almost any other. But was she a good monarch? Today's unwritten rule

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states that the sovereign should keep assiduously out of the political arena, but you could never accuse Victoria of impartiality. She came to the throne as a young woman of 18 and an entirely unknown quantity. She served her political apprenticeship under the avuncular Melbourne her first Prime Minister, and became an unashamed Whig

Then along came Prince Albert with strong, albeit Germanic, views on politics and a-1 vast admiration for Peel: The Queen became a Tory. In later years she hated Gladstane because he lectured her as though she were a public meeting, and loved Disraeli because he laid on the flattery. with a trowel. Victoria was nothing if not susceptible to male charm throughout her

She was a meddler, and her view of her position within the British constitution would cart little ice today. She expected to have a say in the appointment of ministers, and she always thought her husband had a much better understanding of foreign policy than her Gov-

However, she did reform and stabilise the monarchy after it had suffered under the madness of George III, the profligacy of George IV and the short reign of the bluff but. dull William TV. She invented the concept of a royal family as

the baredon of his artillery course in Dublin by nightly taking an acress between the sheets. The shock may have contributed to Albert's early death from typinoid.

She was a remartic, and much present day royal ceremony, like Trooping the Colour, which tourists imagine to spring from the days of the Conqueror, are in fact Victoria's inventions. That same romanticism coloured her view of empire, and persuaded

her to accept from Disraeli the title Empress of India.

Her popularity was inconstant, as was that of Albert, who was seen by many as being too interfering and too German. Public esteem for the crown dipped sharply during the Crimean War, and again during Victoria's long with-drawal from public view and the social duties of monarchy after her husband's death Republicanism became a serithough all was forgiven by the time of her golden jubilee

She enjoyed strong sexual

nance the existence of happy to use her position as a

woman to get her way.

Biographers have never fully answered the question of whether Victoria was intelligent. Some have derided her as indolent and stupid: V.S. Pritchett dismissed her as a mixture of national landlady and actress. Elizabeth Long-ford is kinder. She lacked aneous intellectual curiosity. Without that gift, neither her immense industry nor taste for intelligent discussion could greatly extend her mental range. Within these limits her mind was alert and her understanding well-above the

Her Continental relatives found her sombre and terrifying, but she could be amused provided the jokes were sim-ple. Lord Granville observed that wit was wasted on Victoria's family, as nothing made them laugh like hearing one had trapped one's finger

Perhaps her greatest achievement was to be the first truly European monarch, travelling widely and being related to most of the Continent's other crowned heads. A pity she did not visit Ireland more than twice; a higher profile there might have saved us from the legacy that still

It is an frony that Queen Victoria died at Osborne House in the arms of her grandson, Kaiser Wilhelm II. The Victorian Age reached its final and dramatic end 13 years later, in August 1914.



A portrait of youthful-looking Queen Victoria, painted in 1859, when she was 40, by Franz X. Winterhalter

A seaside home fit for raising royalty

BY ALAN HAMILTON

AS A royal residence, Buck-ingham Palace was essentially a profligate indulgence of George IV, who commis-sioned John Nash to create the IS staterooms that now attract 400,000 tourists 2 year, Victoria, however, quickly realised it was no place to bring up children: she and Albert created an alternative family home at

Osborne on the Isle of Wight. Osborne an Italinate villa designed by Prince Albert, is now an English Heritage property filled with Victoria's family memorabilia. Every-where at Osborne are the entwined intials V and A. The outstanding artefact is her bathing machine, employed for years after her death as a chicken shed, but now restored. The royal bathing machine, a large wheeled cart, ran on stone rails into the water. It contains a changing room and plumbed lavatory with

own water tank. Victoria recorded her first experience of sea bathing in 1847: "Drove down to the beach with my maids and went into the bathing machine, where I undressed and bathed in the sea, a very nice bathing woman attending me. I thought it delightful till I put my head under the water, when I thought I should be stifled." Cowes. Open daily, 10-5. Tel:





The golden age of railways and its enduring

How a Highland trail led to love at first sight Balmoral retreat was chosen for its peace — and for the rare chance of anonymity, Alan Hamilton writes

WHEN Victoria first set eyes on the Balmoral estate, she wrote in her diary for Friday, September 8, 1848: "It was so calm and so solitary, it did one good as one gazed around, and the pure mountain air was most refreshing. All seemed to breathe freedom and peace and make one forget the world and its sad turmoils."

With the exception of a brief state visit by George IV to Edinburgh in 1822, Victoria was the first British monarch to set foot in the northern kingdom since Charles I. when she and Albert holidayed there in 1842. Hanoverian butchery of the clans. at Culloden was not quite a century into history, and much of the population was still being forced into emigration by southern landlords

hungry for sheep grazing.
But the people received their Queen and her German consort with great enthusiasm. The couple resolved to build a home in the Highlands, a region whose romantic image had been well polished by that master spindoctor, Walter Scott.

The couple both suffered from twinges of rheumatism. and the Queen's physician.

man, naturally - recom mended the pure dry air of Deeside. And aye, he just happened tae ken a man that might be selling a wee castle. They went to view, and were immediately captivated.

Victoria relished the thought of a remote retreat. living among ordinary people far from the cares and trappings of state. The steep wooded hillsides and bright rushing water reminded Albert of his native Thuringia in eastern Germany. After three years of negotia-

tions, Albert bought the 17,000-acre Balmoral estate and its pretty little castle for 30,000 guineas. With the help of the Aberdeen city architect, William Smith, the Prince set about designing a new and rather grander schloss, opened in 1855 and still the present Queen's regular summer retreat. Victoria's days with Albert

on Deeside were the happiest. of her life. They roamed the countryside on what she called her great expeditions, often travelling dozens of miles a day by pony or



Balmoral Castle: when Victoria saw the estate, she wrote in her diary: "All seemed to breathe freedom

carriage, spending nights in-cognito in village inns, pass-ing the time of day with locals. And always at her pony's head, guiding the party surefootedly along remote mountain tracks, was her "particular gillie", John Brown. After Albert's death, Victoria was persuaded to pubassiduously kept of their Highland idyll together. The first volume of her Leaves From Our Journal Of Our Life In The Highlands appeared in 1867, and was an instant hestseller. In the same year the railway reached Ballater, less than ten miles from Balmoral. The two events gave birth to the Scottish tourism industry, which has never looked back, but the hordes of the curious who thronged to Deeside to glimpse their widowed and withdrawn sovereign did nothing for the solitude she

Victoria's relationship with John Brown was a matter for intense speculation at the time, and remains so. Unto each other, and she found him an immense emotional support in her widowhood. She built him a house in the castle grounds, and erected a

statue to him after his death

in 1883 - a death at which she

was almost as grief-stricken

as at that of her husband. Her

diaries was dedicated to "my loyal Highlanders, and especially to the memory of my devoted personal attendant and faithful friend, John Brown". He is buried in the old churchyard at Crathie, scribed by his Queen. Balmoral Castle and

grounds are now closed for the season, to allow the Queen some privacy on her summer holiday. But Deeside is littered with other Victorian associations. The public car park near the Balmoral gates the A93 Aberdeen-Braemar road is the starting point. Ask at the tourist office there for a copy of the excelfent Kincardine and Deeside Victorian heritage trail map - sadly in increasingly short

supply.

John Brown's grave is in the old churchyard down the minor road immediately to the east. Then cross the iron bridge to the west of the car park, pass the Balmoral gates, walk a short way east down the South Deeside road. to see the memorials to Albert. On the north side of the main

Deeside road, directly opposite the car park, visit Crathie Kirk, opened by Victoria in 1895; the Queen held a giant bazaar to raise funds for the church. Cross the iron bridge again.

drive a short way down the South Deeside road, and turn up to the Royal Lochnagar Distillery, visited by Victoria and Albert in 1848. Back in Ballater, take the long deadend road up Glen Muick to the car park at Loch Muick. Nearby is Altnagiuthasach, the little bothy where the royal couple spent nights alone — well, with only a couple of servants - after walking in the hills. At the remoter western end of the loch is the Glassalt Shiel, a lodge built by Victoria after her husband's death, where she could retreat to contemplate her loss. At the head of Deeside, a

dead-end road from Braemar leads to the Linn of Dee. the starting point for many of Victoria's long expeditions into the wild Cairngorms. Royal Lochnagar Distillery: open Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 11-1. Adults £2, children free. Crathie Kirk: open Mon-Sat 9.30-5.30. Sun 2-5. Services Sunday 11.30.

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India turns its back on Gandhi's legacy

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS

IN THE heart of New Delhi a stone canopy built by the Raj for a statue of King George V — he was removed years ago to moulder in a far-away public park — stands empty. It is reserved for a statue of Mahatma Gandhi, the voice of India's conscience. India is too embarrassed, perhaps too

ashamed, to erect it.

The canopy is at the end of a broad boulevard, Rajpath, which sweeps down from the Presidential Palace to India Gate, a sort of pink Arc de Triomphe. It is the obvious spot for a statue of the Mahama, but India cannot bring itself to insult the peacemaker by putting it there. The reason strikes at the heart of why Gandhi is all but irrelevant to

A statue of him was made years ago to lit into the canopy, but it gathers dust in a Ministry of Public Works warehouse, practically as unseen as the many Rajera monuments that are chaotical-



north Delhi, cracked and blackening — and also something of an embarrassment, India, despite its zeal in re-

India, despite its zeal in renaming cities, streets and parks to remove the nomenclature of colonialism, has never felt able to destroy the old Delhi relics, which for several decades have been protected from vandals by a couple of chowkidars (guards) in a fenced enclosure. A certain sentiment attaches

to the reminders of the past: like Lutyens's New Delhi, they have become an irremovable leftover of the Raj — and hiding the statues in a remote corner has seemed a better option than destroying them.

Gandhi's statue has not been erected in King George's



Gandhi: his statue is

place because every Republic Day the armed forces dispatch convoys of war machines down Rajpath, sweeping noisily round india Gate and on to the canopy where Gandhi should stand. But it would insult the apostle of nonviolence if he were placed amid such military braggadoctic; thus the canopy remains unoccupied.

The question of the Mahatma's statue is a nagging and revealing issue as India approaches its 50th anniversary of independence on August 15. It is a reminder of how far the country has strayed from the ideals of Gandhi, who would have been horrified to know that India would develop the world's fourth largest army, build missiles, and become a nuclear power.

India defied his ideas for

India defied his ideas for developing the nation from village level, embarking instead on massive industrialisation—a process that has left the country burdened with massive and loss-making nationalised industries. Gandhi argued that villages were the soul of India; he would be distressed to see how they have developed, with young people moving to towns to

escape rural poverty.

India is proud of Gandhi, but his voice has failed to reverberate through time. His home state of Gujara observes one tradition in his memory, at least theoretically: prohibition. Beyond that, he does not greatly touch the country he led and inspired.



General Besmuliah Khan, left, takes a field radio to direct yesterday's battle as Taleban troops again attacked two villages only a few miles from Kabul. After six hours of fighting, the front lines had hardly moved

Warlord presses to end stalemate in Kabul battle

FROM BRIAN WILLIAMS IN QARABAGH, AFGHANISTAN

AFGHANISTAN'S Taleban movement and the opposition alliance exchanged artillery and rocket fire and bombed each other's positions near Kabul yesterday in some of the fiercest clashes of a two-week battle for the capital.

week battle for the capital.

The opposition general controlling the front line at this devastated village about two miles from where the two sides were exchanging fire said his so-called Northern Alliance forces had killed at least 40 troops of the Islamic fundamentalist Taleban movement which holds the capital.

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General Besmullah Khan told reporters that his forces had also destroyed a Taleban tank and captured another during the battle that lasted at least six hours at two key points on the capital's battle-front. Taleban forces used helicopter gunships in their attempt to break through the strategic villages of Zima and Hussainkot, which mark the front line.

front line.
Russian-made jets from both sides dropped bombs on each other's forces. The Taleban bombing attack shortly after midday was directed against General

Khan's frontline headquarters. A bomb landed about 800 yards from where he was directing his forces, but there were no casualties at the headquarters.

About 50 refugees, includ-

About 50 ferogess, including italf a dozen young children, carried what they could on their backs as they walked down the road away from the fighting towards territory controlled by the alliance.

General Khan said it was

the sixth time that Taleban had tried in punch its way through Zima and Hussainkot to relieve pressure on the capital.

The battle took place in

temperatures of up to 47C (116F). By the time it had died down in mid-afternoon, there appeared to be little change in either side's positions.

Two weeks ago, the opposition forces, led by the legend-

shah Masood, advanced to within 12 miles of Kabul.

Taleban, which controls two-thirds of Afghanistan, has vowed to take the whole

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Separatists seek return to French rule on island

By Inigo Gilmore in Johannesburg and Our Foreign Staff

AS FRANCE begins the process of scaling down its military bases in Africa separatists on a small island in the Comoros, in the Indian Ocean, have asked to return to

More than 7,000 Anjouan islanders marched to the Governor's Palace at the weekend and hoisted the tricolour of France. An independence declaration signed by the leader of the Anjouan People's Movement. a 71-year-old Koranic teacher named Abdallah ibrahim. called on France to listen to the cries of distress of

"listen to the cries of distress of the people of Anjouan".
Clashes between the military and demonstrators have left four dead in recent weeks. But at the weekend, soldiers and gendarmes left the streets to the rebels, who set up harricades and declared that the island was "officialy reattached" to France.

The barricades were strengthened before dawn yesterday as rumours swept Mutsamudu, the main fown, that the central Government was sending troop reinforcements over from Grande Comore, the main island.

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry rejected the islanders pleas. Eager not to set a precedent infringing the inviolability of African borders, Yves Douriaur, a ministry spokesman, voiced hopes that the Comoros Government could find solutions to Anjouan's social and economic problems through dialogue. Any solution must, quite obviously, fully respect the territorial integrity of the Comoros Islamic Federal Re-



public. We condemn separatist moves," he told a news

The Anjouan islanders say they have experienced poverty and political unrest since the main group of the Comoros islands declared independence from France in 1975. Anjouan's poverty contrasts with the comparative prosperity of the adjoining island of Mayotte, which voted to remain French in 1975 and today enjoys the benefits of free education, health care, a minimum wage and family allowances thanks to revenues from Paris

from Paris.

In Moroni, the capital on Grande Comore, state radio made no mention of Sunday's mass rally. Alain Richard, the French Defence Minister, confirmed yesterday cuts in troop levels in Africa. He told the daily Libération that France would reduce its forces to less than 6,000 from 8,100. The forces would be redeployed at five bases in Senegal, Gabon, Chad, Ivory Coast and Djibouti and the large Bouar base in the Central African Republic would be closed, he said.

The number of French combat planes based in Africa would be on to 12 from 15 while transport planes would be boosted to up to nine from the current six or seven

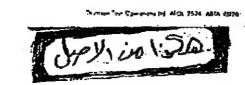
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Netanyahu ultimatum to Arafat on terror

Hezbollah vows revenge after attacks by Israel kill five in south Lebanon

From Ian Brodie in Washington and Ross Dunn in Jerusalem

ISRAEL is winning the propaganda war being waged on American television in the wake of the Jerusalem Realising that Washington's

continued support is essential to his cause, Binyamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister, has reserved some of his harshest words about Yassir Arafat, the President of the Palestinian Authority, for the satellite links between his office and the Washington offices of the big American

"It's not only the lives of. nnocent women and children that are at stake." Mr Vetanyahu told CBS. "Y believe the whole peace is at stake. Arafat must make a choice and he must make it

Mr Netanyahu demanded that Mr Arafat launch an "ailout sweep to round up the terrorists" responsible for the attacks that killed 15 people; including the two bombers, and injured 150 others in Jerusalem's central market. Mr Netanyahu said his Gov-ernment had indications that there could be more attempts at terrorism. "Unfortunately." we are prepared for the worst," he said.

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As he spoke, Hezhollah, the militant Islamic group, vowed bombs planted by Israeli comblasts followed two hours of fierce fighting between the Israeli forces and Hezbollah guerrillas at Kfour in

in Beirut, a Hezbollah state-

Defence Force said in a statement that 'a number of terrorists" were hit, while all of the

overdrive since the Jerusalem killings, blunting some of the early criticism that his insistence on building Jewish set-tlements in Arab east Jerusalem could have provoked the continued violence by Hamas militants.

to portray the Arafat regime as dragging its feet in rounding up terrorists. Indeed, he said that another choice for Mr Arafat was to decide if he rogue nation that sponsored terrorism, like Libya, or one like Egypt that determinedly hunted down Muslim militants in its midst.

from US officials in its attempts to win over American

Netanyahu at a meeting in his office yesterday

guerrilla fighters in southern Berger, the National Security Lebanon. The roadside bomb Adviser to President Clinton. acknowledged that Mr Arafat's co-operation on security questions had been uneven. Newt Gingrich, the Republican Speaker of the House, unleashed a forceful attack on

ment confirmed the deaths and injuries to six civilians. Israelis reported no

Israeli troops returned safely. -Mr Neanyahu's media skills have gone swiftly into

Even if that were the case. Mr. Netanyahu has managed wanted to be the head of a

Israel has found support

self-rule areas of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. "It is reasonable to suppose, as in the past, that wherever they came from, they had to have been assisted by an organisation, an infrastruc-

from overseas, the Palestinian

Authority could not escape responsibility for last week's double suicide bombing.

The Prime Minister admit-

ted that Israel still did not

know the identities or even the

origins of the attackers in

Jerusalem's open-air Mahane

Yehuda market. But he insist-

ed, it was likely that the

terrorists had been aided by

residents in the Palestinian

Netanyahu said. "It is very difficult to sup-pose that this action was done without the help of local people, and we know of many instances that it is this infrastructure that makes all the

ture of local people," Mr

Mr Netanyahu said: "The infrastructure is here, it is placed here, and operates from areas under the Palestinian Authority. The Hamas, the Islamic Jihad and other terrorist organisations are all estab-lished in the areas of the



A Palestinian tries to talk his way through an Israeli roadblock south of Ramallah yesterday as Israel kept its pressure on Yassir Arafat

authority, and the authority has not acted against this infrastructure.

The Prime Minister was speaking after a meeting with Phil Gramm, the American Republican senator. Mr Gramm told reporters that the American Congress would halt aid worth hundreds of millions of dollars unless Palestinians stepped up efforts to prevent attacks against Israelis. He said that Israel's "strong supporters' in Congress believed Palestinians were not meeting commitments to clamp down on militant opponents of the peace accords.

After the signing of the Israeli-Palestinian accords in 1993, America pledged to transfer a total of \$500 million to the Palestinian Authority over a period of five years. But the payments are made annually, and Mr Gramm indicated that they might now come to an abrupt halt: "Author-isation for Palestinian aid, as you know, expires on August 12. It will not be renewed by the United States Congress, in my opinion, unless the Pales-

tinians begin living up to the

President Clinton has invited

the Israeli President to meet him, a move that has surprised observers since Mr Weizman's role is meant to be mainly ceremonial, similar to that of a governor-general in former British colonies. The invitation may reflect a growing desire by America to listen

6 It's not only the lives of innocent women and children that are at stake. The whole peace is at stake ?

The senator added that Americans were concerned about the latest suicide bombings. "I jeopardised by it," he said. Mr Netanyahu has meanwhile denied reports that he opposed a proposed visit to Washington by President Weizman.

to an alternative voice and an appreciation of Mr Weizman's role as an active mediator in past 12 months. Mr Weizman said yesterday that he had met Mr Netanyahu to discuss security and political develop-

ments. Mr Netanyahu also

met separately Miguel Angel

Moratinos, the European Union envoy to the Middle East, who brought with him a confidential message from Mr Arafat, Señor Moratinos publicly criticised Israeli sanctions against the Palestinians in the wake of the suicide bombings, including the closure imposed on the West Bank and Gaza

The envoy aaid that the Israeli security measures were "bringing insecurity".
Senor Moratinos said Mr Netanyahu had assured him

that he was willing to ease the measures once Mr Arafat had taken stronger action to eradicate the sources of violence and to prevent further attacks on Israelis.

European Union had proposed the creation of a new permanent Israeli-Palestinian security committee in an atMiddle East peace process. "The EU is seeking to present some concrete ideas for the creation of a permanent security committee in which Israelis and Palestinians work together continuously and not on an interim basis." he told

Israeli and Palestinian security authorities together to exchange information, said Señor Moratinos, the former Spanish Ambassador Israel.

Mr Arasat arrived in Amman yesterday and went straight into talks with King Hussein on the latest crisis in peace talks, officials said.

Before the Arafat-Hussein meeting, Jordan had urged Israel to keep peace talks with the Palestinians alive, saying that the alternative would be a "catastrophe" for the whole

Identical twins in **HIV** tests

FROM RACHEL BRIDGE IN SYDNEY

SIX sets of identical twins are to take part in a trial using gene therapy which Australian scientists yesterday hailed as a possible break-through in the search for a ent for the Aids virus.

Researchers at the Commonwealth Scientific and In-Research. dustrial Organisation plan to test their "gene shears" technology therapy on each set of twins, one of whom has the HIV virus and one of whom has not, in order to find out if it can block the spread of HIV in patients who are already infected. It is the first

time that the technology has

been applied to the search for

island

an Aids related treatment. Peter McGauran, the federal Science Minister, said: Initial test-tube experiments suggest gene shears could provide a very effective weapon in preventing HIV taking hold in the body. I do not need to underscore what a breakthrough that would be." Genes shear therapy is based on the discovery that enzymes called ribozymes can act like a pair of scissors to chop up pieces of unwant-

) ed genetic material in the Dr Geoff Symonds, of Johnson and Johnson, a partner in the venture, said: Ribozymes can act to both decrease the amount of HIV virus that is replicating and to increase cell survival."

London starts talks on volcano island's future

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor, and David Adams in miami

BERTRAND OSBORNE, the Chief Minister of the stricken island of Montserrat, yesterday began talks in London on whether the tiny Caribbean island is still viable after two years of devastating volcanic eruptions.

The talks started after eruptions early yesterday morning and on Sunday night sent an avalanche of hot gas, rock and ash pouring down the slopes of the Soufrière Hills volcano into the streets of Plymouth, the abandoned capital...

Mr Osborne, leading a delegation of six ministers and prominent businessmen, will hold talks at the Foreign Office and the Department for International Development as well as the Red Cross, emergency relief officials and some of the hundreds of islanders who have fled to Britain. Tomorrow, the delegation will be received at Buckingham Palace by the Queen.

Britain, which has announced emergency aid and relief amounting to £41 million, yesterday reaffirmed its commitment to Montserrat. There is no doubt that we are determined that the island provided it remains viable should have an economic future," a Foreign Office spokesman said. "The question is how we can help, and what more should be done."

However, after two years of intense volcanic activity, any hope of reoccupying Plymouth is quickly fading. Yesterday plumes of smoke and flame could be seen rising from the town from miles away.

Pebble-sized volcanic debris fell on roofs of some homes in Salem, a central town five miles north of Plymouth, but no damage was reported.
Officials say it was expected that Plymouth would be lost after a large eruption on June

25, which killed at least ten The town had been protected from ash and rock flows by a shallow ravine separating it from the main volcanic activi-

appears to have filled that in, leaving the town exposed. When intermittent eruptions began two years ago, much of Plymouth's infrastructure, including its docks, schools, government buildings and the Governor's residence had to be abandoned. All importantpublic services have since been moved to the north end of the island. The small airport has also been closed, leaving Montserrat accessible only by ferry from nearby

Antigua Nearly half of the island's 11,000 residents have already fled. Of those who remain, about 1,200 have been forced to seek refuge in overcrowded emment shelters.

At the London talks, various options are to be considered. including the permanent relocation of the island's main infrastructure to Salem. Britain is considering hold-

ing a referendum among the remaining inhabitants to find out how many people want to continue living there. ty. But the latest eruption

UN approves Iraqi food plan

New York: Kofi Annan, the menting the oil-for-food relax-United Nations Secretary-General, yesterday approved an Iraqi plan for distributing food and medicine bought with oil revenues. Iraq has sold no oil on the world market since late May, saying that it would await Mr

Annan's approval. Baghdad's delay in imple-

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ation of post-Gulf War sanctions was apparently intended to put pressure on the Security Council to accelerate the procodure for approving shipments of humanitarian goods. Fred Eckhard, a UN spokesman, said the Iraqi Government had been informed of the

approval, but he declined to

into neighbouring Kuwait,

resume. But a Western diplomat suggested that Iraq could resume sales by the weekend. Iraq was barred from exporting oil under UN sanctions imposed in 1990 after Saddam Hussein sent troops

which provoked the Gulf

Prayers for 'miracle'

RESCUERS yesterday raced against the weather to find eight people still buried in the rubble of a landslide at an Australian ski resort, urged on by prayers for another miracle survivor. Ten bodies have been recovered (Our Foreign Staff writes).

One woman thought to have been buried in the landslide along with the 19 occupants of two ski lodges turned up alive and well - she had left Thredbo shortly after the disaster with her husband.

erecting big sheets of plastic over the five-day-old heap of concrete slabs, twisted metal and dirt. Heavy equipment was used to stabilise the ground amid fears that the had weather could render the site more dangerous. Rain and snow were originally forecast for Thursday but could come

earlier, officals said. About 500 people, including ski instructors, gathered in church to pray. Villagers linked arms and wept.

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Lawyer's wife 'was fondled by Clinton'

PRESIDENT CLINTON was alleged to have kissed and fondled a woman in his private hideaway off the Oval Office, according to a new twist in the Paula Jones sex harassment case that emerged

The disputed incident involved Kathleen Willey on the day, unknown to her, her lawyer husband killed himsel. while under investigation for embezzlement Last week Mrs Willey was

issued with a subpoena by lawyers for Mrs Jones who are trying to establish a pattern of improper sexual advances by Mr Clinton, Newsweek maga zine reported that Linda Tripp, a former assistant in the White House counsel's office, said she ran into Mrs Willey in the West Wing. Mrs Willey had just left the Oval Office after seeing Mr Clinton

on November 29, 1993. According to the magazine. Miss Tripp said Mrs Willey fold her she had stepped into an adjoining small private office with Mr Clinton where he kissed and fondled her.

Miss Tripp described Mrs Willey as "dishevelled". Her face was red and her lipstick was off. She was "flustered, happy and joyful" and not in any way appailed. Newsweek reported. Miss Tripp, a former friend of Mrs Willey's, said she was speaking out to make it clear the alleged episode was



Jones: her lawyers

not a case of sexual harassment, although still damaging to the President. Newsweek quotes another friend. Julie Steele, as saying Mrs Willey did not seem upset about Mr Clinton's alleged advances.

According to the magazine's narrative. Mrs Willey, 51, and her husband Edward, were well-to-do Clinton fundraisers. A former flight attendant, she landed a volunteer job in the White House after his election. Then her husband ran into debt and was accused of embezzling \$275,000 from a client. There was a tense family discussion over how they could repay the

In the family crisis. Mrs Willey decided she needed a full-time paid job and the next

Chaos as strike hits American post giant

seeking other ways to send packages vesterday as a strike started at United Parcel Service - which handles 12 million packages a day - over

pay (lan Brodie writes). The Teamsters' Union stopped negotiating just before the midnight deadline. "Half a job is not good

Washington: Americans were seeking other ways to send president, said. President Clinton urged the parties to return to negotiations.

The issue of part-time jobs is exploited by many firms. Nearly two thirds of the 185,000 Teamsters at UPS are part-timers: they have no benefits but, according to the urtion, often work double and even triple shifts.

day drove two hours from her home in Virginia to Washington, where she secured an appointment with Mr Clinton that afternoon. On the same day Mr Willey

was so distraught over his financial troubles he shot himself in his car. According to police reports, his body was not found until the day after the alleged encounter between his wife and Mr Clinton.

In the month after her husband's death, Mrs Willey obtained paid employment in the White House that lasted for ten months. She also served, at the invitation of the White House, on US delegations to international conferences on social development

and biodiversity. Nearly a year ago, Mr Clinton appointed her to the board of the United Service Organisation, a volunteer group that provides welfare and recreation for members of the armed forces.

The President's lawyer. Robert Bennett, denied that anything improper was ever said or done by Mr Clinton in connection with Mrs Willey. The President may have consoled her around the time of her husband's death, but it was preposterous to suggest he made a sexual advance.

Mrs Willey's lawyer. Daniel Gecker, said he will ask a judge to quash the subpoena. because she has no information relevant to the Jones case and was outraged to be dragged into it.

She "had and continues to have a good relationship" with the President, the lawyer said.

Newsweek said that Mrs Jones's lawyers wanted to use the threat of delving into Mr Clinton's alleged sex life, and the resulting publicity from it. to force a settlement favourable to their client, who seeks damages of \$700,000 (£430,000).

Mr Clinton adamantly denies Mrs Jones's claim that he exposed himself and asked her for oral sex in a hotel room six years ago.

Giuliani 'liaison' threatens love of voters

By TUNKU VARADARAJAN

"INTIMATE liaison" with a City Hall aide has led Rudolph Giuliani, the Mayor of New York, to the brink of divorce, according to the forthcoming issue of Vanity

Mr Giuliani, who is married to Donna Hanover, a television personality, is said to have had several "latenight dinners and early-morning meetings" with Cristyne Lategano, his communications director.

The mayor, 53, and Ms Hanover, 47, who have two children, are rarely seen to-gether. Their busy lives keep them apart Mr Giuliani is described as a "24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year' mayor, his wife is an industrious career woman. Yesterday she did not challenge the premise of Vanity Fair's report, stating only that her family "is deeply important and will always

However, Ms Lategano, R, said: "Allegations by unnamed sources are not true and there is no need to comment on malicious works of fiction. When a woman works closely with her male boss, it's called intimate. When a man does the same,

it's called loyal."

Despite predictions by observers that Mr Giuliani will separate from his wife after the next mayoral elections, scheduled for November, he has denounced the Vanity Fair report as "scurrilous" and riddled with "cheap

The mayor has reason to be upset. He is due to kick off his campaign for re-election shortly and will not relish anything that distracts attention from his substantial achievements in City Hail.

Mr Giuliani has been widely decribed as the best mayor New York has had. His nononsense methods have helped to curb crime and. brought New Yorkers a quality of life they once could only dream about

So effective has he been in



Cristyne Lategano and Rudolph Giuliani, above, have attacked reports of intimate meetings, which have not been denied by the mayor's wife Donna Hanover, below

his civic crusades that many see him as a potential candi-

date for President.
Mr Giuliani has denied having any White House aspirations, but in a Republican Party short on giants his is a remarkably towering

His re-election as mayor in November is seen here as a foregone conclusion, with many prominent Democrats saying that they will vote for him in preference to Ruth Messinger, the liberal who is likely to be his opponent.

Recently Ed Koch, another legendary mayor and a Democrat, said that he would vote for MrGiuliani - evidence of how his reforms have won him substantial cross-party

☐ Father claim: The woman who falsely claimed that Bill Cosby, the comedy actor, is her father, may be the daughter of her mother's former husband, Time reporterd. Au-tumn Jackson, 26, was convicted last month of trying to extort \$40 million (£24 million) from Mr Cosby. (AP)



Gays say US police neglecting serial killings

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FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

TWO weeks after Gianni Versace's death, American gay rights activists have alleged that the murders of 30 homosexual men remain unsolved and five serial killers are still free because their cases lack the glamour and public interest of Versace's.

The killers have left carnage in New York, Virginia. Texas, Denver and Atlanta, but they have not been hunted with the drew Cunanan, the suspected Versace murderer, because their victims were seen as

expendable, one mother said.
What is the difference between my son and Versace?" asked Donna Smith, whose son, Charles, 18, was one of 12 men killed in a homosexual neighbourhood of Norfolk. Virginia, between 1987 and 1994. "Money and notoriety. If you have money and fame, it is going to get solved." Mrs Smith accused the police of labelling victims such as her

son "gays and druggies", so "nobody cared". Authorities across the country have reacted indignantly to such claims, saying that the unsolved killing sprees that are now fuelling paranoia among American homosexuals are merely part of a lamentable backlog of cases in need of more resources and inter-agency co-operation.

To suggest that the police deliberately drag their feet on homosexual killings would be a real cheap shor, said Sergeant Glen Miller, of New Jersey, who is investigating the cases of five homosexual men murdered and dismem-bered in the greater New York area in the early 1990s. Four of them were last seen in homosexual bars. One was found with his body stuffed in pieces into a dustbin with his head and hands left on its lid.

The allegations against the police are "like saying an agency would not investigate the death of a black person as much as they would the death of a white person." Sergeant Miller said, ignoring that this was the case in the South until

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Spy plane explanation of flying saucers alienates UFO spotters By Tunku Varadarajan

FLYING-SAUCER watchers have attacked as "yet another deception" a newly declassified CIA document which states that virtually all the UFOs sighted in the 1950s and

1960s were spy planes.
According to the document,
ClA's Role in the Study of UFOs, 1947-90, the US Air Force knew that the sightings of flying "discs", "saucers" and other objects were glimpses of the Lockheed U2A and the SR71 "Blackbird" surveillance aircraft. The disclosure, however,

has drawn derision from "UFOlogists", who regard it as a fresh cap of deception on a many-layered bundle of lies. Richard Hall, the chairman Washington-based Fund for UFO Research, a

non-profit scientific organisation dedicated to an "open debate" on the subject of UFOs and extra-terrestrial beings, said: The report contains a very poor, and very inaccu-

rate, account of history.

To say that all sightings were of spy planes is absurd. It perpetuates the stereotype that sightings have only been made of flashes of light in the sky. There are many reliable accounts of clear, structured objects, flying low and close to the ground. How do you explain these?

We're not conspiracy theorists at all. We just want to know the facts. This document is not only dumb — because UFOs were sighted well before the air force started to put U2s

deceptive. It suggests that we unwilling to take at the height should now stop looking for answers, which is something we're not prepared to do. He added: We are now

even more interested in getting behind the cover-ups. which have happened since Roswell in 1947." He was referring to the alleged crash of a spacecraft and military recovery of alien bodies in New Mexico. The document, by Gerald

Haines, a historian, was writ-ten for Studies of Intelligence, a secret CIA journal. It says that the air force was intent on concealing the identity of the objects. A straightforward public explanation would have exposed its large fleet of spy planes — a security risk that military planners were

of the Cold War. Instead, the air force disseminated spurious explanations, allowing UFO hysteria to grow. The air force put out the word that the sightings were simply "natu-ral atmospheric phenomena".

The U2s, which flew at more than 60,000ft, and the Blackbirds", which reached 80,000ft, bristled with powerful cameras and electronics. The U2 spotted Soviet nuclear arms in Cuba, which sparked the 1962 missile crisis and took the superpowers to the brink

of nuclear war. After the Cuba incident, the air force painted the silver planes black - and the UFO

sightings largely ceased. Arthur C. Clarke, page 16

California judges block execution

THE fate of a man scheduled to die tonight by lethal injection hung in the balance yesterday after an appeals court blocked his execution, saying that it would be a "manifest injustice".

Thomas Thompson, on death row in California's San Quentin prison, was convicted of raping and murdering a 20-year-old woman 16 years ago, but has steadfastly proclaimed his innocence. His eleventh-hour reprieve followed a rare weekend session of the controversial 9th US Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. The panel of II judges, branded a "liberal clique" by Pete Wilson, the Governor of California, reversed its own earlier decision to uphold Thompson's conviction, saying he had been incompe-

tently represented at his trial. Mr Wilson was urging the US Supreme Court to review the case as an emergency in the hope of going ahead with the execution as planned. Meanwhile, Thompson has become the latest cause celebre of anti-death penalty activists.

A 26-year-old boat repairman at the time of his conviction. Thompson had no previous criminal record. He was accused of stabbing Ginger Fleischli five times in the head after raping her at Laguna Beach, but has always claimed that the pair had consensual sex after a night of drinking and smoking marijuana. A "grave question" existed over whether he had in fact raped her, the San Francisco appeals court ruled on Sunday, making the death penalty inappropriate. Under California law, only a conviction for murder with "special circumstances". such as rape, can result in death.

The main prosecution witnesses at Thompson's trial were two prison informers who claimed that he had confessed to them in jail, but whose reliability Thompson's lawyers never questioned. Nor was his jury ever told that the victim's former boyfriend claimed to have seen her and Thompson having consensual sex. They were also not told that the ex-boyfriend was himself a possible suspect since he owned a fishing knife that was never recovered after the killing.

Even death penalty advocates have sided with Thompson. This case leaves me with a very unsettling feeling in the pit of my stomach," said Donald Heller, a lawyer who drafted the petition that reinstated the death penalty in California in 1978. Since then only four prisoners have died in San Quentin.

Disney suit goes ahead

in 1995.

in a suit which was first filed

dismissed as "ridiculous". It

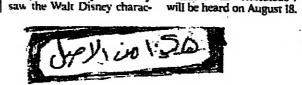
Disney tried to have the case

Los Angeles: A judge has ruled that a woman's claim for damages for distress caused to her grandchildren after seeing Mickey Mouse take off his costume can go ahead (Giles Whittell writes).

Billie Jean Matay and the children, aged five to 11, were taken to staff quarters in Disneyland, Orange County, to report a robbery. There they saw the Walt Disney charac-

Affordable ters remove their costumes. One looked like a headless Mickey Mouse. To expose children to such a brutal wrecking of their fondest illusions amounted to inflicting emotional distress, Mrs Matay's lawyers argued

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European chief attacks Bonn. over "Thatchers'

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

THE European Commission yesterday launched an unusually chreer attack on German politicians in an apparent attempt to scotch the growing. Euroscepticism in the country. There are too many Thanksers in Germany, said Karel. Van Miert, the European

Competition Commissioner.
The outburst by the Dutch commissioner, in an interview with Die Welt-newspaper, is the latest in a series of warmings from Brussels in

The Commission is evident ly worned on two counts: the ing resistance in Germany to being the paymaster of Europe and the threat by regional prime ministers to block economic and monetary union (EMU) in the Bundesrat the upper house of the German parliament.

The possibilities of the Chancelior [Hehmut Kohl] to Chancellor [Hehmut Konn w. crafic Union (CLO), play a pioneering role in crafic Union (CLO), Europe have been thwarted by more and more it is becoming Germany's federal state gove a political currency with all caid. Mr. Van the attendant risks. self whether some of these federal states are really part of the European Union. Some seem to have a leg outside the Union or to be virtually non-Union states, at least if you listen to their prime minis-

ters." The criticism was aimed. chiefly at Edmund Stniber, the Bayarian Prime Minister, who is insisting on the strictest possible interpretation of the Maastricht criteria for EMU. and who forced Herr Kohl to ad in Amsterdam, against his instincts; for the retention of unanimous voting on asyhun and immigration issues. But Kint Biedenkopf, the Saxon Prime Minister, who has had earlier confrontations

agen, is also the butt of Brussels anger. Professor Biedenekopf In-sists that the Bunderrat — representing the 16 federal German states — most have the right to vet every candidate for joining the single currency. Economically, the euro is a good idea," says Professor." Biedenkopf who belongs to eratic Union (CDU): But

with Mr. Van Miert over

Exergean subsidies for Volks-

controlled delay in the introduction of the suro a more developed European Mone-tary System, with fixed es-change rates, should be put into place until the Union is ready for the euro. National

> indicated he would continue to reject the plan. Herr Kohl interrupted his summer holiday in Austria for a special 'parliamentary session called by his ruling coalition to send the Governments tax Bill back to a mediation panel of both houses of parliament. The Bill had passed the lower house but was rejected last month by the opposition-dominated

> > Government and opposition negotiators fast week failed to gree on the DM30 billion (£10 billion) tax cut, seen as a test of whether Germany can adopt its welfare state traditions to harsher global

central banks would retain

their function during this transition period but would

continue to co-ordinate pol-

icy through the European Monetary institute.

The Bonn administration has been rated by these

suggestions, as has the Com-mission. As an influential

member of the Bundesrat,

Professor Biedenkopf, togeth-

er with like minded premiers from both the CDU and the Social Democratic Party could in effect trip up Herr Kohl.

The Government has been

quick to point out that Euro-

pean leaders as a whole, not

the Bundesrat, most decide who participates in the euro. But the resistance could prove

much more effective than at

first thought - supported by a

negative report from the Bundesbank and with a possi-

bility of an appeal to the Constitutional Court, effective

barricades could be construct-

ed against the single currency. The Government has been

quietly fuelling a campaign for a budget rebate from

Europe. Payments have al-

most doubled since unification

and it is now far ahead of

☐ Tax battle: The CDU said

resterday it had not given up

hope of getting a major tax cut through parliament this year,

but the main opposition leader

Britain as a net contributor.



Jeanne Calment thanked good olive oil for her longevity. She continued to smoke cigarettes and drink alcohol into her final decade and outlived her husband by 55 years. "God seems to have forgotten about me," she said

'Oldest woman' dies aged 122

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

JEANNE CALMENT, the world's oldest person, died in Arles in the south of France yesterday, at the fabulous age of 122 years, five months and two weeks. Mme Calment, who saw the Eiffel

Tower under construction and came into the world ten years after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, died at the nursing home where she has spent the

Several rivals have claimed to be as old or even older than Mme Calment, but only she had a birth certificate, dated February 21, 1876, to prove it.

Bhind, almost deaf and increasingly frail. Mme Calment claimed that humour and an abundance of good olive oil

were the principal reasons for her outlived her husband by 55 years, her survival. Her consumption of alcohol and cigarettes, which she continued until her final decade, gave heart to millions of only daughter by 63 years, and her French men and women. Scientists said Mme Calment's age was largely due to

genetic factors, pointing out that her ancestors all had histories of longevity. Mme Calment's birthday, celebrated with chocolate cake and a tot of sweet white wine, became an annual media event in France and a source of growing national pride. October 1995 saw another burst of congratulations when she overtook the previous record of 120 years 237 days set by Japan's Schigechiyo Izumi. She left no direct descendants, having

grandson by 34 years. But she remained comparatively wealthy, thanks to a deal with a local

lawyer who agreed to pay her an annual sum for the rest of her life in exchange for her property. The lawyer, who died last year, ended up paying three times what the building was worth. "We all make bad deals in life," she consoled him. adding that "God seems to have forgotten about me". Mme Calment's death leaves Christian

Mortensen, a Danish-born American, as the world's oldest person. He will be 115 on August 16.

WORLD SUMMARY

US given soldiers' remains

Seoul: North Korea, in a goodwill gesture on the eve of talks in New York between the two Koreas, America and China, handed over yesterday the re-mains of four American soldiers killed during the 1950-1953 Korean War, witnesses said.

The move was followed by other conciliatory steps, including the linking of North and South Korean telephone lines. (Reuter)

Punjab toll

Islamabad: At least nine people were killed in what appeared to be Muslim sectarian shootings in the central Pakistan province of Punjab. (Reuter)

River recedes

Hohenwutzen: Water levels dropped on the River Oder for the first time since it began to threaten eastern Germany with floods three weeks ago. (Reuter)

Sea-lions listed

Wellington: New Zealand has listed Hooker's sealion, the word's rarest, as a threatened species. Trawlers accidentally drown about 100 every year. (AFP)

Killer model

Schöpfheim: A glider pilot and his daughter died when a remote-controlled model plane hit their craft during a display near this west German town. (AFP)

Storm force

Tehran: A storm ripped to shreds the world's biggest tent, set up near the Iran-Turkmenistan border to mark the completion of a new Silk Route. (AFP)

Telly tubbies

Cairo: About 20 women presenters on Egypt's ten state television channels have been ordered to lose weight — or lose their on-screen jobs. (AFP)

Terracotta charioteers unearthed

FROM AGENCE FRANCE-PRESIE

Edmund Stoiber, left, who is strongly Eurosceptic, and Karel Yan Miert, his critic in the Commission

ARCHAEOLOGISTS at the mansoleum of China's Ilra emperor, near Xian, have unearthed a set of terracotta warriors different from the previously excavated army. which draws thousands of

Unlike the foot soldiers on display, statues from pit number two ride in horse-drawn chariots or kneel to shoot arrows and lead horses, the official Xinhua news agency said yesterday.

The newly excavated area. measuring 32,280 sq ft, has yielded 86 warriors and 44 borses, it said.

One of China's top tourist attractions, the terracotta army which originally was intended to protect the Em-peror Qinshihuang (259-210 BC) in the afterlife, was discovered in 1974 by peasants digging a well.

Each of its 6,000-odd men and horses has distinct facial features, expression and

Archaeologists were quoted as saying that some of the figures in the newly discovered vault would be left in fragments, just as they were discovered

That will impress visitors by showing them how the relies looked before being repaired," one of the archae-

Italian travellers rage as trains fail to run on time

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

in chaos yesterday, three days after a train derailment near Rome. Thousands of angry and exhausted passengers many in tears - complained of exposure to searing temperatures without access to food or water during delays of up to 24 hours.

There were calls from opposition MPs for the resignation of Claudio Burlando, the leftwing Transport Minister, who said the "rage of Italians" was understandable. "I ask their forgiveness," he said.

The disruption was caused by the derailment on Saturday of a regular inter-city express from Reggio Calabria, in the toe of Italy, to Turin, in the north. The train, carrying 600 passengers, left the tracks in the Rome suburb of Casilina. scattering its 14 carriages along the line. Remarkably, only six people were slightly

The accident, as the annual summer holiday rush was beginning, severed the main north-south railway artery. which is only four tracks wide at Casilina. The problem was compounded on Sunday, when a crane removing the carriages collapsed across the railway line.

The chaos and misery resulting from the failure to clear the line has caused national outrage in a country

ITALY'S railway network was where the Fascist dictator Benito Mussolini - at least according to propaganda -time as a mark of efficiency and modernity. Hell on the trains, italy cut

in two" was the headline in La Repubblica, while Corriers della Sera spoke of "a revolt by passengers left under the burning sun". Most national dailies devoted four pages to what La Stampa called "a nightmare".

"We were given no explana-tions, no information," said one almost incoherent man. cradling his small son in his arms as he stepped off the train from Naples at Rome's main terminal. "We were stranded in the middle of



nowhere for 12 hours, with nothing to eat or drink". A train carrying mainly elderly and infirm pilgrims back from Lourdes, arrived at Milan station nearly 24 hours late, with passengers hanging sheets from the windows with the words "Train of Shame" scrawled on them. Italy's main railway stations took on a Third World air as people waiting for trains or meeting passengers camped out. Signor Burlando said the

fault lay with a postwar legacy of neglect under successive Christian Democratic governments. "Italy is 50 years behind in railway technology," he said.

As the chaos eased late yesterday and some services returned to near-normal, investigators said they were still trying to ascertain the cause of Saturday's crash. State railway officials suggested the derailed express had been travelling at "an excessively

cleaning and maintenance are of the Milan to Rome high-

high speed". But trade union leaders said the blame lay with a systematic "scaling down" of railway personnel, in which "employees responsible for safety,

the first to go". A similar dispute is still going on over the cause of a crash in January speed train, in which eight

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Britain joins boycott of Bosnian envoys

By MICHAEL BINYON DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

BRITAIN suspended all contact with the Bosnian chargé d'affaires in London yesterday, implementing a threat made by Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, in. Sarajevo last week that the West would no longer deal with any ambassador who did not represent all Bosnia.

Germany said on Sunday that it would case to recognise the Bosnian envoy. France and Sweden followed suit yester-Stay. At their May meeting in Sintra. Portugal, Nato foreign ministers warned Bosnia's three-man presidency that it must agree to the appointment of new adors by August 1 or face a dip-

Mr Cook reaffirmed that blunt mess there seemed little likelihood that any-

age in his talks with Alija Izetbegovic, Kresimir Zubak and Momello Krajisnik, the Muslim, Croat and Serb leaders. Yesterday he expressed regret that they had failed to meet the deadline and announced that he would therefore suspend all contact with Mugdim Pasic, the charge, and would put on hold a request for a new ambassador.

Bosnia now faces a series of deadlines imposed by the allies to force the former belligerents to observe the Dayton peace agreement. Carlos Westendorp, the international mediator, yesterday gave the leaders until midnight to agree common citizenship and passport laws or face possible international penalties.

The Bosmian leaders were meeting yesterday to discuss the allied moves, but thing agreed by the Muslim and Croat leaders would be acceptable to the Bosnian Serbs, who have insisted on remaining as separate as possible. Mr Krajisnik failed on Friday to appear for a meeting to discuss citizenship.

"If they fail to make further substantive progress, we may feel that it is necessary ... to recommend further action be taken against them," Señor Westendorp's kesman said.

Yesterday the West condemned the Bosnian Croat police and Croat nationalists in Jajce who beat up and expelled hundreds of Muslim refugees trying to return to their homes. International organisations said in Sarajevo that they were determined to find out who instigated the riots by drunken Croats who chased the refugees away.

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Who would marry a bulimic?

Men who marry anorexics and bulimics fall into three categories. Maureen Freely reports

n the public imagination she is forever young. The closer she pushes herself to death, the more childlike she becomes — not just in . the eyes of her friends and relations, but in the eyes of the law. After a ruling this week by the Mental Health Act Commission, she can now be sectioned if her doctors deem it necessary, and if she does not respond to treatment, she can also be force-fed. Even if she gets her weight back, she will still be locked inside an emotional adolescence from which even the best therapy provides

no easy exits. therapy is still con-But life goes on, even for women with anorexia and bulimia. Many grow up to get married and have children of their own. Some are able to leave their eating disorders behind them. Often their affliction returns during times of stress. And then there are the ones who become anorexic or bulimic when they're already

The most famous of these late developers is Diana, Princess of Wales. In the gospel according to Andrew Morton, the trigger was a passing joke the Prince of Wales made about her chubbiness, when he tried to put his arm around her waist not long before the wedding. "Shortly afterwards she made herself sick." Andrew Morton says. "It was a profound release of tension and in some hazy way gave her a sense of control over herself." In her Panorama interview, the Princess described the bingeing, that came to precede the purging. as a fleeting comfort. "It's like having a pair of arms around you," she said.

Her choice of simile makes it clear how an eating disorder can feed on a troubled marriage even as it provides

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intermittent relief from it. So why do we know so little about potentially fascinating

It's partly because early work on eating disorders focused on the younger women who then made up most of the patient population. When older women began to present with the same problems, there was a tendency in some quarplay nurse. ters to treat them as exceptions. That bias does not exist any more, but there is still an uncertainty about

how best to treat 'It's like While family having a girls under 18, pair of many experts have qualms about overarms involving an adult around family. Deanne Jade, principal of you' National

Centre for Eating Disorders, is "totally against the idea" because it runs the risk of giving "too much responsibility to the partner" and can work against the aim of anorexics and bulimics becoming "their own carers and caretakers". For recovery to happen, she says, the power has to come from

patient's "second"

the individual". But no married woman is an island. The partners of anorexics and bulimics can play into the problem and are also affected by it. They also have their own agendas. In a new book called Eating Disorders and Marital Relationships, (Routledge, £14.99) Stephan Van den Broucke, Walter Vandereycken, and Jan Norre draw from existing literature to put together a disturbing composite sketch of the men who marry into anorexia and bulimia

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The most common type (according to a study of anorexia from the mid-Eighties) is an "emotionally and sexually passive" man who hates confrontation, needs affection, and gets upset when his partner does not live up to his high ideals. When she becomes anorexic, it is almost a relief, as it gives a name to the problem and allows him to

The second type is a man who doesn't "passively accept" his wife's illness and instead resents the way it disrupts their lives. If she makes no effort to change, he will either leave her, often for another woman, or throw himself

Last and least common is the old fashioned patriarch-style husband who insists on his wife being a "child-like depen-

extension of his own. Often he adds his own ingredients to the cauldron: one study of partners of bulimics found that 25 per cent had emotional or psychological problems serious enough to have required treatment. Mrs Jade (who sees many more adult bulimics than anorexics) thinks this may have something to do with the fact that many padents meet their partners at therapy centres. They don't meet people in the usual ways because they are not inclined to spend time at pubs, restaurants and

Whatever the reasons, the result is that they and their partners enter into marriage inexperienced and ill-prepared. Avoiding conflict be-

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Andrew Morton says the Princess's bulimia provided "a profound release of tension and in some hazy way gave her

comes a top priority, and so intimacy suffers while unresolved problems pile up. It is hard to hide anorexia, but bulimics can be good at hiding their binges and purges ("especially from men" as one woman told me). This means many husbands don't have a clue. Even if they do know,

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their efforts to help are not always a spur to greater maturity — as in the case of the husband who rearranged his work schedule so that he would almost always be present at meals, and did all the shopping and cooking, and even ate up all the leftovers to keep his wife from bingeing. But first prize must go to the stools into hospital and exchanged them with his wife's so that her doctors would not be able to prove she was abusing laxatives.

And then there's the sex. As a rule, anorexics and bulimics have trouble experiencing pleasure. It's the fear of losing control, according to Dr Jill Welbourne, a Bristol specialist who also works with the Eating Disorders Association. A man married to an anorexic or bulimic "may make pass-ionate love to her" but his wife absent herself from her body for the duration. This is not deliberate, she says. It's

symptomatic.
"You have to marry your own body before you can marry anyone else. If you're seven feet above your body and three feet to the right of it, and loathing it, attacking it, you're not going to be in your body long enough to hear your husband say, how about bed, darling?" " Although fertility is a prob-

lem, especially for anorexics who have stopped menstruating, Bulimics those who do manage to conceive ofcan be ten have a great deal of trouble dealing with the physical transforgood at mations of preg-nancy. Their hiding nancy. Their worries about untheir dernourishing their baby lead to

purges larger questions. one sufferer told me, about "who is feeding whom". Nutrition remains a problem area after birth and indeed throughout childhood — especially if the child is a girl and starts going in for diets as a teenager.

In other words, there's no area of the family that isn't touched by anorexia or bulimia. But women who seek professional help don't always find it helps their marriages. The prognosis depends on whether the illness began before or after she met her pariner. There's a group of chaps." Dr Welbourne says. who romanticise their wives' elusive qualities, when really they're looking at starving vacancy. If they fall in love with a woman who is in the grip of the disease, they are falling in love with the person she is when she is ill. So when she gets better and a bit more robust, they can't cope with it

and they leave." The odds are better when

From Shaw and her husband, Hugh: I thought telling him would give me the strength to stop.

the case of one patient who became anorexic in reaction to her second pregnancy. Her bank manager husband didn't like it. He was determined to understand what had struck his wife down, and so when she stopped going in . for therapy, he went in her place. A year and a half later, the wife returned to

resume treatment There are many stories, though, of husbands . resenting treatment and working against it. Often they expect magic results, or else they attribute their wile's illness to "foolishness" or lack of will-power. Most speak of feel-ing helpless and

unjustly blamed by the difficulties of their everyday lives. This is why even experts who do not think partners should be part of treatment do concede that they need to be educated about the disease, for their own good as well as for the good of the patient, and that they, too,

deserve proper support. But any move to make marital therapy a standard part of treatment is bound to raise deeper questions about the proper management of eating disorders. If the problem is control, then isn't it better to talk about the other areas of life that feel out of control? Women need more than "medical resuscitation" to get better. Dr Welbourne says. They need someone to go on being there for them while they go through the painful process of growing

Finna Shaw, whose muchacclaimed autobiographical

account of a posmatal breakdown, Out of Me, came out earlier this year, told me much the same thing. She had suffered intermittently from bulimia for years as an adolescent but talked to no one about When she first told her

husband. Hugh, it was because "I thought if I could name it, that would give me the strength to stop it. I was hoping that by isolating the problem, it would go away." Repeated failures meant huge shame and desperate attempts to hide the problem. It was only after she began to "understand it as part of the person I had become" that she began to do better, and that was thanks to extended psychotherapy. Marital therapy would have

been a help, she thinks. "But we couldn't have afforded it". and neither, it seems, can the NHS. Which is why I'm a bit concerned about this new interest in the sort of men anorexics and bulimics marry. In the absence of any real help. publicising the little knowledge we have about them could be a dangerous thing. It is all too easy to read about the types and say. How sick these people are. How different they are from anyone I know. How easy, therefore, to avoid the same pitfalls."

According to Dr Welbourne, the truth is closer to home. If you're educated and middle

class and want your children to study for their A levels, if you're good at the art of deferring, if you plan ahead, if you don't make allowances for accidental accidents, and have a hard time expressing anger then it's all too easy to fall into the pattern - or else fall in love with it. An eating disorder, she says, is something we're all almost mio".

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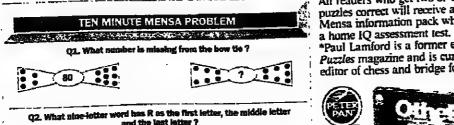
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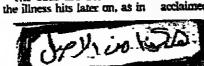
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'I trusted her and she trusted me...We really did love each other'

Professor Lewis Wolpert is a distinguished embryologist and one of the country's leading popularisers of science. He was born in Johannesburg, and moved to London in his early 20s. Here, he gives a poignant tribute to Jill Neville, the novelist, critic and broadcaster, whom he married in 1994 and who died of cancer in June. Rebellious and politically radical, she arrived in London from Sydney in the early 1950s. An enthusiastic hostess, she and Wolpert held some of the best parties in literary London

She thought it was some thing at which I was hope chickens which she thought had less. When I came back from the had at least some deceared event she wanted to know the had at least some deceared to know the had a event she wanted to know the some feel of the people. I always too dark basement that avoided the

disappointed her. Were she here she would laugh, she always did, at my refusal to listen to her advice yet again. But then we disagreed about verything. People were often shocked at the apparent violence of our discussions: But then we were both impatient, specify colonials, who never quite learnt the

inherited her speedi Laever understood just how she managed to y, eleganity, almost by nagic. Boyiriends at res zurants were horrified vanish. She had strong views which she never movement, particularly

correctness. She inherited from her sun. She believed in a holistic colonel father some of his steely qualities that spread into an intellectual integrity. That was never more in evidence than when she knew that she was dying and behaved with unbelievable dignity

and stoicism. Jill was a regiontic, with intense sensitivity to everything around her. She stopped listening to the news as she could not bear to hear

he begged me never to try about human cruelty; it made her at the opera. She longed for nature.

organic existence — natural healing and the power of the mind over the

body. In a way, she annexed all sensitivity so that there was nothing left for me. I became the arch

reductionist scientist who was, as

she said, the lord high contradictor,

and who only saw the body as a

machine. Somewhere she believed

in the soul. Even when depression

overtook her, somehow her natural

and complained that we lived in a

ea — quite wild. We could never remember how we met but became close friends from the very beginning. When a boyiriend caused a cut to her lip she phoned me late at night to take her to hospital. I would go with her to a cafe on the Strand so she could watch some man she really attractive play chess. There were Thames. She moved house often and there is hardly a street in north

or other. Yet beneath

that wild exterior I dis-

covered a rather conventional longing for an ordered bourgeois life. Neville and Wolpert disagreed about everything She taught me songs

tried to kill berself by putting her head in the gas oven, but it was so dirty that she ended up cleaning it I first heard of her when I came to London in the Fifties. There was

this Australian redhead living on a houseboat in London where she had not stayed at some time

she knew the words of an astonishing number and almost longed to be a nightclub singer. She complained that I never took her dancing Just a few drinks and she was off. She destroyed several evenings by her insistence that everyone had to stop talking and start dancing. I naturally objected: she saw my behaviour as tram-line, unwilling to try something new. But there was one thing on which



we had complete accord — we could have qualified for the British sleeping team. We were also both unenthusiastic about formal dinners, which I regarded as detention for good behaviour. But we could give great, noisy parties.

In the words of a close friend she was beautiful, supremely amusing and very, very kind and had an extraordinary bent for friendship. For one friend, researching a book, it was her willingness to go on adventures to men's strip clubs. Another, much younger, felt that Jill had changed her life by making her feel lovely and teaching her where to put lost love. One saw herself as the curator of a Jill Neville Museum in the form of a train with many carriages, and she helped an old friend get over his writer's block with daily letters. She even overcame her resistance to modernity and became dependent

She had weaknesses that were

paradoxical. She needed praise, since she saw her upbringing, and indeed mine, as those of unlicked cubs. Yet at the same time she loved her body, her own presence, and was a fool to flattering pursuit. How else could she have married two previous disastrous husbands? She lied consistently about her age and everyone thought her at least ten years younger - they were even somewhat irritated when the obituaries revealed she was 65. She would have been furious that the

e were happiest at her cottage in Normandy. She had bought it on a romantic impulse. It was little more than a cow's hotel but in lovely countryside and she transformed it into a magical place. While we had visitors, what she liked best was for me to work in the mornings and for her to dream and write and then go to the coast for

hunch. Dreaming was an essential part of her life, something I never understood. Why could she not go to her desk and write, like me? What was all this waiting for the inner dream to speak? Her novels and poems came out of

those dreamings. What she felt about writing and poetry comes out in the speech she gives Robert Graves in her play about him and Laura Riding. How can it mean so much? Poetry is the purest mystery. Look, when a poem is about to be born - the air changes, everything goes still ... Where it springs from God knows, but gradually the whole bright semi-circle of light expands: then you look down the page, the poem is written, revised and revised again — the words are living and the language itself is revived, and the poem will go on sending out its mystery and energy and glory into the future, into people strange in ways we cannot imagine, but who will be amazed how close to us they

feel. Genius is the only true godhead. Love is astonished always. So is the new-born poem . . . it proves that the world isn't just a pile of faeces after all."

She would spend much time in conscious dreaming and reflection. I would interrupt her and ask, to her irritation, what she was thinking. "I am doing sevens," was a typical reply. This meant she was going through her life seven years where we had been during any period of our 15 years together.

When I fell ill in California a few years ago, she insisted that we get married when I returned. She wanted to be sure that when I died she would be more than just someone at the funeral. And during my depression she prevented me from committing suicide by promising to help me in a year's time if I was not better. I knew I could trust her. And she knew that she could trust me. We really did love each other.

The latest fashion victims - boys

Children are giving street cred to the elite symbols of their parents, says Jane Gordon

There was something particularly striking about the holiday pictures of the Blair family that appeared in newspapers over the weekend. Not Cherie's hair, or Tony's jeans or even little Catherine's pretty floral

What struck a chord with parents across the country was the way in which the two Blair boys were dressed. In a display of self-labelling that is becoming endemic among the emergent generation, Euan, 13, and Nicholas, 11, wore bold sweatshirts emblazoned with the legend POLO, and POLO Ralph Lauren.

Alongside the first step, the first tooth and the first words, today's young have added a new developmental milestone - the first item of designer dothing.

Where previous generations of adolescents have rebelled against the established order by creating their own movements that have spawned a definite and original uniform - from the winklepickers and drainpipe trousers of the Fifties reddy boys to the spiked hair and safety-pins of the Seventies punks - the young of the Nineties have, instead, borrowed the elitist status symbols of adults and given them street credibility.

In a trend that crosses the class spectrum and reaches out along the length and breadth of Britain, young people are wearing the kind of labels their parents only ever



A new developmental milestone epitomised by Tony Blair's sons on holiday in Tuscany — the first item of designer clothing

dream about - Calvin Klein, Donna Karan, Versace, Arma-

ni, Moschino. Not, of course, the expensive

and discreet couture creations of these designers but the deverly marketed - and often terribly obvious - sports ranges that are just about accessible to the spoilt child on a pocket money budget (£25-£40 for a T-shirt, £75-£125 for a sweatshirt, £100-£150 for

What is particularly interesting about this phenomenon - perfectly illustrated by the Blair family picture - is the fact that it is more likely to be labels:

boys and not girls who are keen to brand themselves as fashion victims. It is the sons and not the daughters of my friends who are insisting on wearing DKNY. Tommy Hilfiger, Paul Smith, YSL.

The girls, while occasionally being lured by a pair of logoed trainers, are as happy with the cheap high street brands such as Top Shop and Miss Selfridge as they ever have been. But from the age of about nine or ten the boys are becoming more and more obsessive about the importance of wearing the right

One friend of mine - a single mother on a limited income - was astonished when her 15-year-old son demanded a pair of £165 Gucci loafers for his birthday. It was as if, she said, the possession of these shoes would give him almost magical powers, like Dorothy's red slippers in The

Indeed, in rather the same way that my five-year-old son gains confidence from wearing his favourite Superman dressing-up suit, so the older boy bolsters his own selfesteem by adopting labels that he perceives to be - as they

might say — as well safe as the play costume of the superhero. The psychologist and writer Dorothy Rowe confirms that, for young males, items of designer wear can, in effect, be empowering.

"There are a number of reasons why the present generation of young males are wearing these boldly logoed designer clothes, and one of them is that they might feel that those labels have a kind of magical property. The more helpless you feel the more you need magic," she says.

The words Ralph Lauren written in huge letters across

your chest might well have the same effect for a boy ap-proaching adolescence as the big S of Superman does for a five-year-old."

Rowe suggests that one of the other reasons that boys have a greater need than girls to possess expensive designer clothing might be linked to their dramatic sociological changes that have taken place in the past decade.

Men and boys have only ever really been engaged in one thing - competing with each other. And in a world in which they cannot be guaranteed employment and in which there are no longer wars, clothes might represent one of the few areas left in which males can openly compete, she says.

oreover, the emergence of Girl Power however cynically you might view the Spice Girls — has meant that young females now have far stronger role models than their male counterparts and a far stronger sense of their own identity.

"There is no doubt that boys today need more props because they cannot rely on the myth of macho power," says Rowe, "and, of course, on a more basic level these clothes are probably part of the ageold courtship thing.

"Young boys might be wearing these clothes because in saying Ralph Lauren or Calvin Klein or Versace, they are also saying 'I have got money' and girls are always attracted to money. Money means

In truth, as no doubt Tony and Cherie Blair already know, what this awful trend really says is "my parents have got money". Or more accurately, "my parents would have money if they didn't spend all their disposable



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How the



Rumours of a genre's demise continue to be exaggerated; the fathers of Impressionism get their due; gallery round-up

Fruit and veg still speaking volumes

Richard Cork admires the major New York show of still lifes

heading for the Hayward Gallery

n an era dominated by speed, violence and dynumic change, the still life might easily have been pushed aside by restless 20th-century artists, After all, its quiet pleasures seem to belong to an earlier, more contemplative age. What point could there be in scrutinising a few household objects on a table when the modern world's energetic excitements clamour for anention?

Against the odds, though, still life has continued to fascinate even the most audacious innovators. So important did this unlikely subject become that still life images are firmly lodged at the centre of modernism. Only now. though, are they being explored in a substantial international exhibition.

Objects of Desire is the beguiling title chosen by Margit Rowell, chief curator of drawings at the Museum of Modern Art in New York, and the paintings she has assembled include some of the most delectable in European art. If the show is equally well installed when it travels to the Hayward Gallery this au-

tunn. London is in for a treat. Cezanne occupies a place of isolated honour in the first space, with a magisterial still life executed a few years before the present century began. Endowing his fruit, ginger jur and eggplants with a grandeur at once incontestable and unforced the persuades us that these ordinary objects are as

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vencal mountain presiding over so many of his

landscapes.
But there is danger in Cézanne as well as stability. The ganger jar has been tipped different vantage. As for the apples and pears, they are clustered on a plate so tilted that they seem likely to fall off the edge. Even at this stage in the show, stillness is already being challenged.

After the Cubists encoun-

tered Cezanne's work, they made the objects in their studios more agitated. In a 1908 painting, Picasso placed a human skull on a pink and orange tablecloth pierced by thrusting lines. A framed Cubist nude presses forward from the shadows at an uneasy angle. Even the artist's palene becomes a symbol of aggression, bristling with brushes as menacing as knives.

Less than a year later. Picasso appears to restore order in a cooler, more refined painting of a fruit dish. But the table rears up at a vertiginous angle, and around the same time Braque turned a similar dish into a whirling mass of splintered forms. The tradi-tional solidity of the still life

was breaking up. Leger shows the fragmented apples and hunanas sliding down a table no longer able to keep them steady. Rather than plummeting to the floor, however, they end up floating through space in later Cubist



Picasso's lifelong passion for the still life is well represented in New York, beginning with the Cubist years and extending to his Still Life with Skull, Leeks and Pitcher, from 1945

paintings. The pedestal table in Braque's great 1911 canvas from the Pompidou Centre is more up-ended than ever. But the slivers of musical instruously above it.

similar sense of weightlessness is achieved in Ma-A risse's work during the same period. Manisse. however, did not share the Cubists' passion for angular austerity. He rejoiced in colour at its most sumptuous, and his Spanish Still Life allows leaves and flowers to merge with an ornamental cover on the sofu behind. At this point, the survey's

appetising title is triumphanthorne out. No pears and bananas could be more edible than the ones heaped so temptingly within the bowl Derain painted in 1912. The vellow flowers suspended so

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mysteriously in Redon's mystical pastel appear to be drifting through the night sky. And Matisse's purple cyclamens seem to be offered up to us like an enticing gift.

But the enchantment could not last. Picasso brings the exhibition back to everyday reality by incorporating a found spuon in his painted bronze Glass of Absinthe, And Duchamp went further, brazenly declaring in 1913 that a bicycle wheel mounted on a painted wooden stool had every right to be considered a work of art.

After the protracted trauma of the First World War, the still life lost whatever vestiges of innocence it might previoushave possessed. Around 1921 Miró turned his table top into a potential charnel-house. The rabbit perched on its jagged surface may be alive at the moment, but a nearby fish seems ominously inert. They

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both look like sacrificial victims, waiting to be consumed, and the glass phials clustered in Hannah Hoch's gleaming canvas might well be intended to serve some sinister, clinical

Soutine replaced such alarming suppositions with brute fact. His visceral painting of a beef carcass, suspended in the abattoir and still smeared with blood, restored the still life to its centuries-old role as a memento mori. The wildness of Soutine's brushwork conveys the full extent of his anguish, and Ensor per-forms the astonishing feat of making a giant red cabbage take on a monstrous identity. Surrounded by clown-like masks, who leer and thrust their noses into its hurgeoning leaves, the cabbage threatens to engulf the fruit and flowers assembled beside it. Here, in 1928, this reclusive Belgian

the malignancy and predator power of the natural world. Plenty of viewers dismissed him as an ageing crank, but a decade later Ensor's vision did not seem so eccentric. Ap-palled by the civil war in his native country. Miro conveyed his horror by placing an old shoe, a buttle and some broken bread in a setting haunted by shadows and flashes of flame. It is as if a Spanish peasant had abundoned his posses-sions in a deserted field, and the fork puncturing an apple suggests that he might not have survived his enemy's

painter seemed obsessed by

the still life proved surprisingly adept at reflecting the unrest, destruction and tragedy unfolding around it. When the Second World War began. Dali summed up the gather-ing despair by placing a useless black telephone receiv-er on a dish with three grilled sardines. Beyond, a nightmarish black hill looms over a trio of vulnerable, childlike figures in an arid landscape.

icasso, marooned in Nazi-occupied Paris, chose a skull and accompanied it with a twisted, harshly scored pitcher. But some fully grown leeks form an unexpected link between these two gruesome objects, suggesting that Picasso held out hope for new life as the struggle with Hitler neared its end.

After such intensity, the more recent sections of the show seem more celebratory. POD ALT revels in consumerist excess, scavenges society's trash-cans or, in the case of Jasper Johns, wittily casts Ballantine Ale cans in a carefully painted edition of two bronzes. The last image to confront us is Domenico Gnoli's Without a Still Life, a meticulous painting of an empty table. But everything else in this seductive and disquieting survey suggests that the still life, in all its guises, will never go away.

 Objects of Desire opens at the Haward Gallery in London (1)171-928 31-41, sponsored by BMW in association with The Times. on

AROUND THE LONDON GALLERIES

LIKE many of her generation (she was born in 1919).

Prunella Clough went through a period of romantic realism before moving gradually to abstraction. and there are many who find an intensity in her art of the late 1940s and early 1950s that dissipated later. Hence her paintings seemed completely at home in the 1988 Barbican exhibition A Paradise Lost, which celebrated the complex delights of the Neo-Romantic movement in Britain.

On that occasion her pictures were bung close to those of David Carr (1915-1967), and a certain kinship could be seen. Now a new show compares and contrasts just these two artists. and tells something of their extraoroinality close professional relationship. The period covered is 1945 to 1964. and shows the early work of both artists off to perfection. Carr begins painting rather like Lowry, moves towards Clough and then slightly away again. Clough has the advantage of always being unmistakably Clough.

Austin/Desmond Fine Art.

Pied Bull Yard, 68/69 Great Russell Street, WCI (0171-242 4443) until Aug 14

☐ THE subject-matter of Jean-Marie Toulgonat beds of flowers and sunbles that of his step-greatgrandfather, Monet. But his approach is unmistakably individual. Frequently his paintings border on abstraction; eliminating the horizon altogether to become more a colour field than a literal field full of colour. The paintings are entirely celebratory, of life, love and the senses.

Francis Kyle Gallery, 9 Maddax Street, WI (0171-499 6860) until Sept 4

☐ IN THE new exhibition A Cloudburst of Material Possessions, subtitled A fantasy on a drawing by Leonardo da Vinci, 19 artists as varied as Peter Doig, Stephen Farthing, David Mach, Paula Rego, Michael Sandle and Boyd wedo respond in their owi ways to the Queen's Leonardrawing of the sky deluging the land below with pots and pans and mundane objects of all sorts. Some go for the deluge itself, many consider what the ground would look like after the storm. Every single one seems to have been genuinely inspired to create something individual and unpredictable. Purdy Hicks Gallery, 65

Hopton Street, SEI (0171-40] 9229) until Sept 6

sheer painting technique of

these academic artists that one

suspects many who come to

fellow landscapists of Barbi-

zon. Millet himself emerging

as a master of atmospheric

lighting, particularly at dusk.
But the real novelty of the

show comes in the next room,

where a whole huge wall is

devoted to reconstructing the

effect of an official Paris Salon

around 1880, when the impressionists were just about to

move centre-stage in the Paris art world. Artists such as Dore

(not the greatest painter, for all

his brilliance as an illustratur).

Monticelli, Troyon with his

inevitable cows in pasture, military specialists such as

Charles Louis Kratke and

Georges Louis Hyon, and

Adolphe Weisz, whose special

scoff will remain to pray. Next come Miller and his

CALLS TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, RUSSELL TAYLOR As the century proceeded, so drenched fields - resem-Came to scoff, stayed to pray

classic curator's nightmare is to have a nice, Ineat, growded schedul suddenly burst upen in the middle, leaving a gaping hole that requires a major exhibition, and no time to put one together. What can be done? The best move is to peer into one's own icebox to check how effectively it can be raided.

That is precisely what Glasgow Museums and Art Galleries have done to fill the vital summer season at the McLel-lan Galleries, the city's mid 19th-century pride and liability. What must have struck any visitor with eyes for 19thcentury art are the extraordinary riches amassed by contemporary Glasgow collectors, and in due course gifted or bequeathed to the major public collections. Because primarily of the dealer Alex Reid. Glasgow was probably the earliest place in Britain to appreciate the full splendour of Impressionism in flower. But before that the Impressionists' immediate predecessors, the painters of Barbizon and more isolated figures such as Courbet, found ready purchasers in Glasgow

Thus one could see on display in Glasgow painters such as Millet and Daubigny. Monticelli (who exerted a decided influence on Van Gogh). and Bastien-Lepage, who for a while influenced everyone, when they were so desperately unfashionable that few other galleries would give them wall-space. And that was only what could be readily seen: what hid in the vaults was anyone's guess. So what more natural than that Glasgow should follow up the recent spate of Impressionist shows

Glasgow raids its vaults to provide John Russell Taylor with a fresh view of the birth of Impressionism



Zenobia found by shepherds on the banks of the Araxus (1850) by the virtually forgotten Paul Baudry

nay's) decorating the Paris Opera or, like the Flandrin

brothers, turning their hand to

classical myth or saccharine

hagiography as the market forces of the salons dictated.

The effect is rather unexpect-

ed: so brilliant is the

draughtsmanship and the

into which the Impressionists had to force their way?

The Birth of Impressionism starts with the high academic works of not only ingres, the leader of the pack, but also virtually lorgotten painters whose finest hours were spent Sike Baudry's and Delan-

field was people going to or coming from church. There is variety and eccentricity and even, yes, good old-fashioned aesthetic satisfaction.

There is also enlightenment about exactly what the impressionists were up against. The final rooms show us, dazzlingly, what they did about it. Scotland is able to show off with wonderful Boudins, Sisleys and Cezannes from the Burrell Collection, great Monet and Pissarro paintings from the National Gallery in Edinburgh, and some less familiar riches from Scottish private collections. There are impressive loans from Chicago, New York and Boston. But basically the show is homegrown — although you would never guess unless you read the labels very carefully.

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Third time even luckier

lympian defactionent is by tradition the proper stance for critics, enthusiasm, engagement even, is considered a but intra the but I find it impossible to remain detached in the face of Glyndebourne's staging of Handel's organic Exercises third outing, substantially recast, it packs a punch that leaves you reeling, it's not so much the singing, the constituting, the production—all of them quite ourstanding — as the way all three conspire to reveal the bewildering enert of Handel's genius.

How could be have invented via

instinct rather than reason, a whole

OPERA

new musico-dramatic form "a utopian meta-theatre of the heart and mind, as the director Peter Sellars mind, as the director Peter Sellars puts it in his programme essay—a good century ahead of his time? How could he have written with such wisdom and compassion about belief, doubt oppression protest self-sarrifice, in terms that speak as clearly to us as today's headlines? And how could be have been so even-handed in his treatment of the conflict, and in those limshed, knowled closure bears that lebose. inushed, awed closing bars that lerve audiences in stunned silence accepted that there are no easy answers; save within each individual human heart? It

is a simply assonishing work:

Sellars has returned to revise the to look around you.

Staging New are the presence of men to south in the Christian community. Beckwith takes a slightly more romanded the taking of a collection alotted in the without risking the sheer beauty of the most without risking descent into the most without risking the sheet beauty of the s suggesting research among certain congregations in southwest London. "The Peace" is as much in evidence as in the papers recently, but the Rites of Venus have been toxed down, rightly and perhaps ironically. As to whether Sellars's depiction of the Romans as a lager loutish, canned drink society is

To stage or not to stage? I

rather suspect that

the better deal at the weekerick.

when two sessions of music theatre took to the Albert Hall

stage somewhat diffidently.

The Gondoliers on Satur-

day boasted only a semi-staging; yet the costumes, lighting and energetic at-tempts at the theopian art

created more sense of theatre

than the supposedly fully staged Kurt Well double of on Sunday With dashing said

and neckerchief the BBC Singers set the sambial trend for both plebelan and patri-cian Venice and Felicity Palis-

er and Richard Spart as an

Duke of Plaza-Toro footed it

featily in front of the orchestra.

with Casilda (Mary Hegarty).

Luiz (Timothy Robinson) and

the rest of their dystanctional

patter and chatter grew weari-

some without its physical

counterpart and, apart from

the Duke and Duchess, only

Donald Maxwell, as Don Al-

hambra, really knew now to

exploit G&S's unique chemis-

try of word and music. Retain-

ing the dialogue might just

have ht a fuse or two; instead,

John Wells devised and read a

The real gains of this first

ever Proms Gondoliers were

compensatory narration.

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THE ROYAL OPERA

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But often Sullivan's endless

exterided family.



Daniel Taylor (Didymus) and Joan Rodgers (Theodora) excel in an outstanding production of sublime Handel

the merely religiose. The playing of the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment is beyond all praise. As for the new cast (the third), map swings-and-round-abouts judgments would be insulting: they all rise heroically to the challenges

that Handel sets them. Joan Rodgers's full-toned, creamy

Putting

on half

a show

BEC PROMS

as even-handed as Handel's cheerfully lyric soprano is ideal for the title role, and while she spins Handel's long lines with innate eloquence, there is an equally eloquent flutter in her tone to suggest that bat-squeak of doubt at the edge of her certainties. Jean Rigby's gentle, plushy mezzo is as well suited to Irene, keeper of the Christian conscience - her momentary loss of faith at the start of the third act is soul-

> Any fears that David Daniels, on earthier duties as Nero in Munich, would be missed prove groundless: the young Canadian Daniel Taylor is another of that new generation of

sopranos who happen to be men, his tone seraphically pure, his musician-ship impeccable. Paul Nilon as Septimius, the "voice of reason" who nevertheless flicks the switch for the double execution, was as involved in the drama as in the singing; Sellars's focus on the character has been noticeably tightened in this revival. Jonathan Best's President of Antioch, with an unmistakable Nixon hairline, was sinisterly fatuous. The chorus, like the orchestra, is beyond all praise. A

RODNEY MILNES

out for them on a Sunday afternoon in the Albert Hall. A set of six contemporary German cabaret songs was supposed to set the scene and cunningly introduce the group of outsiders who would set out for Mahagonny. A late-night Prom, with darkness, a steamed-up Albert Hall and a warmed-up audience would have been the obvious time and place. As it was, a sparse and sobre afternoon, an under exploited arena and the presence of classically trained singers for the most part unused to this repertoire made the world of the Uberbrettl

with some whimsical and ing-up of the very idea of an

Slo-mo singalong

slo-mo cinematic songs. Added to the overcrowding, a 20-minute technical hitch at the start of Massive Attack's set left the band to contend with an audience understandably difficult to please. A weak opening number didn't help. Reggae legend and long-time Massive collaborator Horace Andy emerged from a shroud of dry ice to mumble over a

frontmen 3D and Dandy G appeared on stage to rap their way through Karmacoma, however, the mood changed. For the first time all day, the HILARY FINCH audience got the chance to sing

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literally disjointed directorial ideas as arms and legs were discovered in sultcases and the cast, for all their antics, failed to engage in the idiom, and therefore with their audience. Abulafia's long-term thinking became evident, and stronger in detail, as the cast travelled with Weill to the United States in The Seven Deadly Sins. The schoolgirl-waif (Kate Fenwick) who had haunted Mahagonny with her balloon now became Anna II, the counterpart of the exploitative "sister", Anna I, magnificently sung by Marie

rare live performance by Massive Attack in London's Finsbury Park on Saturday evening left the audience in a dilemma. Fans of the Bristol beats band, which was headlining an allday dance festival, had to choose either to cram into a tightly packed tent, from where it was impossible to see the stage, or snatch some space by one of the exits. This. however, meant enduring an aural assault as strains of big beat techno, hardcore jungle and soulful drum and bass peted with Massive Attack's

squalling guitar solo.

The moment enigmatic

Massive Attack Finsbury Park

along to lyrics, and Massive Attack made it easy to participate. Long gone are the group's days as a simple sound system, when vocalists sparred over samples and scratching. The addition of keyboards, guitar and - most importantly — live drums had replaced the floaty feel of the harder, techno edge.

The remainder of the 90minute set mixed former hits Daydreaming, One Love, Eurochild and Hymn of the Big Wheel with down-tempo dub courtesy of Andy. The show should have ended after a superb Unfinished Sympathy, as the less memorable tracks which followed simply

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Arthur C. Clarke on the myth

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t is probably too much to hope that the US Air Force's belated revelations about the source of many UFO sightings will put a stop to this tedious nonsense. Could anyone ever have seriously imagined that the Earth's skies have been full of alien visitors for the past half century. without the matter being set-tled one way or another?

For decades now, the radars of the great powers have been able to track all objects much larger than a lootball that come anywhere near our planet. Of course, it may be argued that alien spacecraft invariably use Stealth techniques but it is hard to see why they should bother, since they seem so willing to make contact. In any case, that would hardly help them to evade detection by the legions of amateur astronomers who constantly scan the skies.

Though it is perhaps unkind to do so. I would like to remind the UFO fanatics how earlier, widely accepted stories of alien meetings turned out to be ludicrous fabrications. Does anyone still remember George Adamski's Flying Saucers Have Landed? He reported uities on the other side of the Moon, and I believe there was

once a lady who made a good living lecturing about her honeymoon on

Well, we have the lunar seen the lunar Farside (and I've never forgiven the Apollo 8 crew for resisting the temptation to report a black monolith there) and we know that any Venusian rivers are likely to consist of molten lead. We will have to go further afield than our immediate neighbours to look for intelligent life —

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perhaps life at all. What is particularly ludi-crous is the widespread idea (a la Independence Day) that for several decades some super-States Government has had alien spacecraft — and aliens in its possession. Anyone who will believe that will believe anything. I have known many of the people who would have been involved in such a cover-up, and I can assure you that it would have a half-life of about 48 hours. As one Pentagonian once remarked sadly: "I wish it was true - then all us majors would be colonels." I think that settles the matter; but then of course. I may be part of

the conspiracy.
Indeed, at least two of my friends were on the CIA committee looking into the UFO question, at a time when it was seriously considered that spaceships might be involved. One member (the late Professor Luis Alvarez, now famous for his theory that dinosaurs were exterminated by an asternid 65 million years ago) told me how easy it was to dispose of most of the sightings, because the average observer simply does not know how many remarkable things there

are in the sky. Frankly, if you have never seen a UFO, you're not very have no sense of humour?

observant -- or else you live in the city and don't have access to the sky, which nowadays is an all-too-common state of affairs. I have seen at least ten UFOs, and several of them were very convincing: it took quite an effort to convert them into Identified Flying Objects. And I still can't get over the fact that my most dramatic sighting was from Stanley Kubrick's penthouse on the

upper East Side — the very night we had decided to make a little home-movie together. (I'm embarrassed to say that the brilliant light we watched moving across the sky turned out to be the Echo balloon satellite, seen under rather unusual circumstances. Also, Stanley and I were in somewhat exalted mood, and perhaps not as critical as we

should have been.)
One of the chief reasons i have never been able to take reports of alien contact seriously is that no spaceship ever pants are always human! Oh, yes, they do show a few minor variations such as large eyes or pointed ears (Hi there. Mr Spock!) but otherwise they are based on the same general design as you and I.
Genuine extra-terrestrials

would be *really* alien — as different from us as the praying mantis, the giant squid, the blue whale. Nature is incredibly ingenious: just look at the fantastic variety of planet. We are products of thousands of throws of the genetic dice; if evolution was re-started once again on Earth, at

any point the branches of the tree of life might have taken a different direction — and we would not be here. But something would be ... The recent excitement about Mars has again focused public interest in the possibility (most

not expect too much even from the fantastically successful Pathfinder mission. Watch out for Mars Survey or, next month - though. personally. I have considerably greater expectations for life beneath the ice-floes of the Jovian satellite Europa, for

reasons given in my book

probability) of life on other

3001: The Final Odyssey. ith any luck, within the next few years (what a millennial present that would be!) we may have an answer to a question that has haunted mankind since our first ancestors started looking at the skies. And let me give the last word to the brilliant team of engineers and scientists at the Jet Propulsion Lab who have amazed the world with such detailed close-ups up of the

Red Planet. In reply to my message: Hope Rover's hub-caps aren't stolen overnight," they responded: "But how exciting if they are . . .

And who says that scientists



DOWN TO EARTH WITH A BUMP...

A voyage too far

ule, Britannia! I always suspected that the rain, the bugles and the synchron-ised slow-march flag-folding of the Hong Kong handover would be too much for the marshmallow heart of the British Establish-

ment: and so it has proved. Mr Blair and Mr Cook have stood on a royal deck at midnight and been duly overwhelmed by the splendour and historic resonance of leading a nation represented by a princely vessel. They have gulped, dashed away a tear, and thought again about this Royal Yacht business; perhaps

we could save the old girl after all? The latest wheeze is to get fifty million quid from private companies, fix her up, and let Queen and nation lease Britannia back when they need her. For the majority of the year the ship would pay back investors with a chance to run their own export missions, or (rather more likely) to hold lavish onboard junkets in the Pool of London. That way you still have a Royal Yacht — sort of — but not at the expense of those patients on hospital trolleys who Mr Blair prom-

Well, I suppose it could work. We are promised no logos and no disreputable traders: perhaps there are indeed enough reputable. restrained, and enormously rich British companies to pay for a refit and keep on paying more than £5 million a year to keep Britannia going. Perhaps they are patriotic enough to do all this without being embarrass-

ing in any way. Perhaps, once she is cut open, it will even turn out that the £50 million refit figure miraculously turns out to be accurate. But after a round of phone calls to those familiar with Fifties-vintage ships in general, and the innards of HMY Britannia in particular, I have to admit that they all giggled at the confidence of those who tout that figure. Once you start poking around in an old ship, horrid things come to light. She does not just need replating; the structural frames themselves, say my moles, need major attention. The beautiful old engines at her heart must be replaced; so must the steering, driveshafts, electrical, plumbing and navigation systems and the rabbitwarren accommodation. It could be done - you can keep the same axe going forever with enough new blades and new handles — but it is

devilishly expensive.

The Royal Yacht should have been allowed to retire with dignity

It is also strangely pointless. A renewed Britannia will not be the one the nation loved; not the same ship whose old steam turbines ploughed the seas when the war was newly won, and the Queen newly wed and newly crowned. With her face-lifted glossiness and her uneasy commercial half-life, she would be little more than a floating symbol of a nation scared to let the past go. A ludicrous nation, willing to spend the price of a brand-new ship that would last a lifetime, on buying at best 20 more years for the revamped Britan-nia. In 2020 we would be going

crisis all over again. Britannia debetter: an honest retirement, perhaps as a musewhere she was built one hideous plan goes, moored along-side the millennial

through the same

Mandeldome and dressed up with waxworks of the Royal Family). A gentle decline towards the scrapyard would perhaps be best of all; remember, while she was new her neighbour for some time was the retired Victoria and Albert III. The nation looked sentimentally at the old Royal Yacht, still wearing her bow-badge until 1954; but it got so fond of the new ship that it hardly noticed when. her furniture and fittings discreetly transferred, the old one was towed of to Fasiane and broken up. She just vanished one day into fond memory.

where the past belongs. So why can't 1997 have the guts to build on the past rather than cloning it? Since the symbolic, diplomatic and commercial usefulness of a Royal Yacht is now widely accepted, why not have a new one? And if the old princely lavishness doesn't fit into modern notions of low public spending and a down-to-earth working monarchy, then why not reinterpret the old ideal and find a concept which does? No need even to dub it a "yacht". Divisive things, yachts. Call

it a national flagship.
What must it have? Presence and dignity, for one thing, but preferably without enormous size. A sailing ship would provide that — not nostalgic repro, but an utterly modern, high-tech, Rio-friendly, environmentally conscious vessel. Sail needs a visible. energetic, co-operative team to work. it, so it could supplement its permanent crew with an ever-renewed volunteer crew of Queen's Cadets, graduates of the excellent sail-training movement we already have, and sponsored by youth movements ranging from the Prince's Trust to

company training schemes.

What better to symbolise a demo cratic nation at ease with itself than to have the monarch sail into harbour

with the youth of nation and Com-monwealth, boys and girls of all backgrounds and the rigging? Hightech rigging, obvi-ously, to show off key British expertise in materials and surface

coatings and environmentally-friendly sail technology, just as the bridge and engines would show off our electronic and engineering skills. Not our skills of 50 years ago, but the ones

we have on sale right now. There should be a full-size theatre aboard, not only for commerce but for plays, opera and ballet: a British Council affoat, a bit of global cultural swank. There would be secure and personal royal apartments, but mod-em conference facilities and exhibition space. Oh, and a helipad. The ship could travel the world all year, accommodating royal visits and trade missions in a schedule overseen by a rigorous, arms-length Royal Agency. It would be designed to accept safely controlled tourism in some ports, because nothing spreads

better feeling than a ship.
This vessel all but exists already. Her financing, design, costing, business plan and specimen yearly activity have been researched since 1992 by a high-powered group led by the Commodore of the Royal Yacht Squadron, Maldwin Drummond, Rear-Admiral David Bawtree, a security adviser to the Home Office, and Colin Mudie, who has designed more tall ships for more nations than

anybody in the world. She has enthusiastic backers: all through lastyear's uncertainty and collapse of City funding for a new motor-yacht, the financial supporters of the royal sail-training ship remained loyal. At the sixth international Marine Design Conference at Newcastle she was voted the best design. The calculation is that she would produce a small operating surplus for her own

Some of the consortium's ideas have been flameringly stolen: this week's vague notion of "Common-wealth cadets" learning seamanship in the former boiler-room of the revamped Britannia is a straight steal although nobody seems terribly sure what they would do all day, with

no sails to put up and down.

The detailed proposal has been put to two governments. Michael Heseltine opposed it under the Tories, on the principle that sail was "old fashioned" (rather like paying your bills on time, another notion he would be a selected divined that was a possible or the control of the publicly rejected during that crazy late-Tory period). The Navy, we are told, is wary of it, but then it would be: the Navy no longer knows how to sail, and when the ship unfuried its canvas its naval commander would be dependent for certain skills on the civilian expertise of a sailing-master. But why not? This is a ship for the nation, not a ship for the Navy.

Tould the Royal Family. accept the idea? Probably. It is modern, yet comes from the patriotic, lightly paternalistic heart of pre-Thatcher Britain. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh favour youth and adventure as well as dignity, co-operation, service and polish. The Prince of Wales stands for environmental responsibility, poetic gran-deur and giving youth a chance to prove itself. All are wary of commercial tackiness, and the sailing ship proposal is a lot better insulated from that risk than any other affordable

This len't just about masts. - H royalty is for anything, it is to unite the nation and symbolise its hope and belief. So, what shipmates should royalty be given? Just mercantile interests fat cars hoping to get fatter by trading on the sentimental appeal of a gussied-up 1950s museum piece? Or business people with a bit of dash and pizazz, working in co-operation with culture, innovation, and the cream of the next generation?

It is time to pension off Serps

ACKING O

Iain Duncan

Smith on Blair's blinkered review

f the success of a strategy was dependent on the number of times it was publicised and launched, then the Government's pension review would already be a success. However, launches and relaunches should not obscure the single most important question which has yet to be answered — what will it not be allowed to review?

Before the election, many people assumed that Frank Field's pensions proposals would form the core of any change. His appointment as Minister for Welfare Reform seemed at first to confirm that. We had even been led to believe that, so far advanced was the thinking on this, that a draft Bill would be published by the end of the year. This timetable has been overturned and so, seemingly, have his

proposals.

The pensions review is limited in scope by ministers' commitments to not abolishing Serps. This means if Labour ministers establish a secondtier pension, it will be over and above the existing compulsory second-tier pension scheme—Serps. Any reform designed to pursuade or compel people to save more for retirement must reform Serps because a failure to do so will result in confusion and

greater cost. The last Government was clear. It he last Government was clear. It believed Serps should be phased out. Ironically, Frank Field, who advised Labour. To move decisively to claim Peter Lilley's inheritance", agrees. In his own words: "Failure to close Serps will mean substantial tax bills for the future generations."

The Chancellor's decision to abolish the dividend tax credit in the luke.

ish the dividend tax credit in the July Budget has compounded the prob-Budget has compounded the prob-lem. The process of encouraging people to opt out of Serps and into occupational or private pensions hinges on the National Insurance rebate in effect, this rebate has now been devalued, making it far less attractive for those still in Serps to opt out and thus making it more likely that the numbers of people in the scheme will increase if the Governscheme will increase, if the Government was serious about encouraging people to opt out, it would have to recitly this problem by changing the rebate. This, of course, would cost a great deal of money—up to £1 billion—and it is clear that the Chancellor has no intention of allowing the social security team to make good the shortfall if social security ministers fought for a rebate upgrade, they seem to have lost. This appears to be a recurring theme which helps to explain Frank Field's recent admission (Financial Times, July 25) that his desire to abolish Serps is no longer on the agenda.

The Government has also limited the remit of the review by excluding the basic state pension. The review therefore will centre solely on another second-tier pension and miss out this historic opportunity to reconsider pension provision. The previous Government's proposals were widely applauded as an opportunity to debate the issue, but that was closed. off during the election by Labour's scurrilous attack on Basic Pension

Turthermore, the Government finds itself in an intriguing position. Labour's attacks on position. Labour's attacks on Peter Lilley's plans for pension reform demonstrate the deep distrust many in the party feel towards private pensions and their providers. However, the Government now claims to want to work with such companies. This relationship has been made even more difficult by the fact that the industry feels aggreeved at the Chancellor's squeezing of

pension funds to raise revenue, Pension companies could be forgiven for casting a wary eye over a Government, that according to the National Association of Pension Funds, is guilty of the "biggest attack on funded pension provision since the war", especially as it seems to derive from an instinctive prejudice

against the private sector. While the Government is right to demand that the mis-selling of pensions is fully resolved and repara-tions made, it would also help if it pointed out to its own party, as well as to the public, the success of funded pension provision. Countries across Europe have failed to encourage independence private provision and reform of the state pension. Conser-vative Governments achieved all three of these aims and bequeathed Labour a sound basis on which to

We were always led to believe that the pensions review would be allembracing and contain no sacred cows. Tony Blair's instructions to his DSS team to "think the unthinkable", would lead one to expect a review without limitations. However, it now appears that the unthinkable is about to happen, and the state earningsrelated pension scheme will remain

m place The Government has to decide whether the review is bound by a manifesto commitment which is so clearly at odds with necessary reform. If it is not prepared to slaughter the sacred cow of Serps, then serious pension reform will be the first sacrifice it makes to political expediency.

The author is the Shadow Secretary. P·H·S The author is the Shadow Secretary for Social Security

Anatole Kaletsky is away.

Royal first

be addressing the opening session Government Meeting, which takes place this October in Edinburgh. Though she has always attended the biennial CHOGM in a ceremonial capacity, she has never spoken formally to the massed ranks of government heads. It has always been felt to be too political an event for her further involvement.

This time, however, the Queen has been moved to give a speech



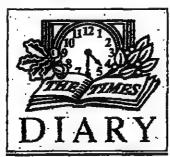
The Oueen and African leaders

meeting is taking place on home soil. Secondly, and more impor-tantly, she is said to feel that the Commonwealth has lost its footing in recent years. An opening speech at the city's conference centre would be an ideal opportunity for her to give the organisation a boost

in front of the massed media. She is being encouraged in this by the Government which feels the Commonwealth was under-used and underplayed by the Tories.

Other formalities will be performed as usual. The Queen will receive all of her Prime Ministers in private audience at Holyroodhouse, a mile or so from the conference centre. She will also arrend the formal dinner, an occasion always much enlivened by the the African ministers' wives.

 Crates of mangoes were delivered last week to the offices of Peter Mandelson, Minister Without Portfolio, Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader, and Jack Straw, the Home Secretary. A gift from the Prime Minister of Pakistan, Nawaz Sharif. to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Pakistan's independence, each



fruit was wrapped in green and white crepe, Pakistan's national colours. "Our mangoes are appreciated all over the world," said a spokesperson at the Pakistani Embassy. Except in the Commons, where they are starting to go off.

Carping

INTERLOPING in the Conservative constituency of Louth and Horncastle, in Lincolnshire, is Ken Livingstone, Labour MP for Brent East, who has just given a largersh sum towards a hedgehog physio-therapy clinic. Known as the Ninja Wing, it will form part of Authorpe's Hedgehog Sanctuary.

No one else in the area seems to be concerned about hedgehogs." says Livingstone. His largesse. however, fails to impress the local Conservative MP, Sir Peter Tapsell, who breeds Japenese carp in an ornamental pond in his garden. "I'm not mad for hedgehogs," he says. "I find Imperial Koi much better conversation starters."

High and dry CUTBACKS in funding have caused standards to slip on what used to be regarded as the best air-

line in the world - the RAF. Recent trips abroad with government ministers have seen incremental



"They say there is a grave danger that the ferry strike could end

changes for the worse. Gone is the cheeseboard. Gone too is the constant flow of tongue-loosening Johnnie Walker Blue Label whisky. This fits in with my recent reports of worsening food at the

Foreign Secretary's table. On the short-hop BA 146, used for trips within Europe, and the larger VC-10. the duty-free cart. heavy on Courvoisier, has gone.

Older hands remember stepping aboard the planes, and before even reaching the main cabin being greeted by a steward with the words: "Gin and Tonic, Sir?" It was said with a particular glee to those gasping for a drink on flights leaving Saudi Arabia. No

The whole show is still pretty elegant, "says one who travelled recently with the Foreign Secretary. "and the red wine is memorable. but elsewhere, not so good."

Old soaks

THE Duke of Edinburgh may have given up sailing because he thinks he is too old, but one of his royal companions on John Paul Getty's yacht Talitha G at Cowes. Prince Michael of Kent, managed a creditable seventh out of 17 in the

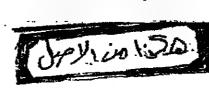
Daring class yesterday.

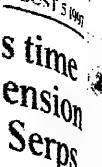
He took to the water on Division Bell. a boat owned by a consortium



including the former Tory MP Sir. Michael Grylls. As a boatload of photographers pulled alongside the Prince, a wave washed right over and drenched him. He smiled as the snappers clicked away. Then it happened again.
The Prince dabbed at his Roma-

nov beard, smiling a little less. Before it could happen a third time; he sat down low in the vessel out of view, to preserve what remained of his dignity.





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MUCKING OUT THE BYRE

Labour most needs reform in its own backyard

Party. In summers past there have been tarnished Monklands Council, the revelabrushfires of dissent while Tony Blair has been on holiday but in every case the damage was containable, the memory of discontent fading with the Mediterranean tan. This summer could, however, be different, not least because Labour is in Government and expectations high. Lord Simon's perceived conflict of interest and Robin Cook's marital difficulties are very different matters. The first is a genuine cause for public concern, the second is a source of private sorrow with no bearing on

Mr Cook's discharge of his official duties.

Both, whatever the merits of the matter, dent Labour confidence but both are passing squalls compared to the concern aroused by the death of Gordon McMaster. The circumstances surrounding the death of the late member for Paisley South grow increasingly disturbing. His suicide is a private tragedy. but it also raises questions of legitimate. public interest. The picture emerging of the Scottish Labour Party is not an edifying one.

The picture that we have of the Parliamentary Labour Party's reaction is not

particularly reassuring either. Several of Mr McMaster's colleagues knew of his diffi-culties but the Whips' Office in which he served does not seem to have played the pastoral role that it might. Moreover, the Labour authorities have only agreed to an inquiry into the unhappy circumstances of Mr McMaster's death after a newspaper revealed some of the contents of his suicide note at the weekend. Did they know of the note's existence, and its contents, before? If ... they did, why did they wait for press reports to emerge before initiating an investigation?

There is a prima facie case for an inquiry. The MP was the victim of a whispering campaign as well as a debilitating disease and those rumours sprang from the unweeded garden that is the Labour Party in the Westof Scotland. In a battle for political supremacy in Paisley, where Labour's authority is unquestioned, solidarity became in its kailyard if it is to justify the faith a forgotten virtue.

August is the cruellest month for the Labour . After the corruption allegations which tion that Glaswegian councillors were being investigated for bartering votes in return for junkets and the unhappy story of Mohammad Sarwar's alleged bribery, the last thing the party needed was another scandal. The Scottish Labour Party has sought to portray each of the problems afflicting it as an isolated matter but their frequency and severity points to a deeper malaise.

The same complacency and arrogance which infected the Tories after too long in power at Westminster seems to have spread to the Labour Party in Scotland. The root of the problem lies, perversely, in Labour's past success in Scotland. Mr Blair's transformation of his party has proceeded more slowly north of the border. In England, Labour had to transform its ideology and its image to reach out to lost voters. That process involved facing down the corrupt and the crackput in English redoubts such as Lambeth and Liverpool. Since the Scottish party was moderate and, more to the point, electorally successful, reform seemed less pressing. Even though it has been Scots such as Gordon Brown and Alastair Darling who have been in the vanguard of New Labour the Scottish party has, in more than one sense, been left behind.

The case for action is now, however, overwhelming. Lahour in Scotland, sure of electoral dominance, has treated local authorities like feudal holdings. In five weeks time Scots will be asked if they wish the Labour Party to create another layer of government which it, in turn, expects to dominate. Many Scots will ask if those Labour will choose to run a Scottish Parliament will be of the same calibre as those who ran Monklands, run Glasgow and operate in Paisley. The thought that there will be new jobs for those particular boys is hardly an incentive to support devolution. Labour must show, and quickly, that it is serious about cleaning up the mess Scotland's voters have placed in it so far.

BURIED BOUNTY

A new law should better protect our hidden treasures

Twenty-two Roman gold coins, some minted. requirements; ancient pottery and other as late as AD461 when the Roman legions objects with historic value are also included. had already been withdrawn from Britain . - Explaining the workings of the new Act, for two generations, were unveiled yesterday at the British Museum. The hoard, found in West Sussex and "seized to the Crown" by a these would, for the first time, be extended to Chichester coroner last month, is as historic as the evacuation which it chronicled. For it is almost certainly the last time that the ancient law of Treasure Trove will be invoked. From next month this remaining piece of medieval legislation, thought an anachronism in the world of computercontrolled archaeology, will be replaced by a new Treasure Act. It is perhaps a pity that, in. order to better protect our buried history, we should lose Treasure Trove as part of our verbal and legislative heritage. The archaeological end, however, justifies the modernising means.

Under the law of Treasure Trove, anyone finding gold or silver beneath the ground had to surrender the treasure to a coroner's jury. If there was evidence that the hoard had been buried for safekeeping with the intention of later recovery, it was forfeit and handed over to the Crown; if, however, it had been buried in a grave or merely lost, the finder was the keeper. The law, however, became increasingly difficult to administer. It entailed deciphering the intention of the person who buried the treasure.

The new law sensibly abolishes the need to interpret the motives of men long dead. Instead, it defines treasure as anything having more than 10 per cent gold or silver and anything more than 300 years old. Not only coin will now be subject to reporting

Mark Fisher, the Arts Minister, said that rewards would still be paid to finders, and the owners of the ground yielding the riches. Failures to declare a find, however, would incur stiff penalties: a fine of £5,000 or three months in jail.

While the law now takes full account of today's technology, research and archaeological understanding, its application depends on goodwill and compromise. The main aim must be to engage the willing cooperation of treasure hunters. Banning all metal detectors would be pointless; it would only encourage subterfuge and night-time prospecting. Instead, amateurs should be encouraged to co-ordinate their hobby with local museums and archaeological societies; any find should be generously rewarded, and if it is subsequently claimed for a museum, proper acknowledgement should be made to the finder. Sleuths who disturb subterranean sites or destroy vital archaeological evidence should, however, pay substantial fines. And those who roam unlicensed across private land should be subject to the penalties of the law of trespass.

Britain has one of the richest and most meticulously documented histories; the evidence still lying under the soil is emerging at the rate of two million objects a year. History should not be the subject of court wrangles. The Roman, Saxon and Celt are under the ground, but what they left behind can still dazzle and amaze.

FLYING ECONOMY

The Mars mission proves prudence pays in space exploration

Sometimes the direct approach pays off. After many years of devoting taxpayers dollars to costly space missions planned to the last gold-plated nut and washer, the US space agency Nasa has decided it wants quicker, cheaper and better results. When last it went to Mars more than twenty years ago, Viking cost several billion dollars. Mars Pathfinder, which bounced and juddered to a halt on the Martian surface a month ago, has cost less than \$200 million.

The hardware has operated nearly flawlessly, more so indeed than the human beings controlling it from the Earth. Some of the problems have a familiar ring. Unable to make a modern work, the engineers turned it off and then turned it on again, always worth a try with an obstinate computer. It worked, though nobody seems to know why. Other problems included a bug in the software, and errors by ground staff that disrupted communications. But despite these minor upsets, the lander and the rover have sent back volumes of data for analysis. All the mission's science and engineering targets were met four days before the 30-day primary mission drew to a close, and Nasa opted to shut down both rover and lander for two days, to allow solar cells to recharge

weakening batteries.

Among the most intriuging findings have come from a rock dubbed Barnacle Bill. Its composition bears uncanny similarities to Earth rocks produced by volcanic activity.

Such high-silica rocks back home are generally the product of eruptions fed by the sinking of the tectonic plates of the Earth's crust. This was a process hitherto believed unique to the Earth. A geologist could quickly tell whether Barnacle Bill is truly Earth-like by splitting it open with a hammer and looking for the fine-grained structure of a lava. Alas, this was beyond the capabilities of Mars Pathfinder. Other rocks so far analysed have turned out to be covered by dust and weathered minerals, or to consist of a material more like solidifed soil than rock. To resolve these issues, the scientific team is hoping that Mars Pathfinder will get back to productive work as

soon as its brief holiday is over.

The real mystery of Mars, meanwhile, remains unsolved. Exactly one year ago a Nasa team declared that it had found evidence of life in a meteorite from Mars. The claim provoked an argument which Mars Pathlinder was never designed to resolve, but the philosophy it embodies means that such a resolution is possible at a manageable cost. There is even a chance that Europe could be the first to an answer, if an imaginative plan to use Russian instruments on board a European Space Agency spacecraft called Mars Express comes to fruition. Before that, the arrival in Mars orbit next month of another American spacecraft, Global Surveyor, will keep the Red Planet in the headlines.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Britannia's fate under review

From Rear-Admiral C. B. Williams

Sir, Having been involved with HMY Britannia's initial technical problems, and also having been in charge of her refits for a number of years, I am delighted that the Government is having a rethink about her future (re-

ports, August 4).
The ship's hull is sound and good for many more years. The number of her crew is excessive for a modern ship but this could be dramatically reduced by removing the antiquated boilers and steam turbines and replacing them with diesel electric propulsion and bridge control of the

No modern design could replace the regal lines and profile of this splendid

Yours faithfully, C. B. WILLIAMS, 16 Montserrat Road. Lee on the Solent, Hampshire.

From Mr Robert Vincent

Sir, Well sink me; new Labour, old Britannia! What a golden opportunity missed for a brand-new, prestigious British-built ship, showing the world we can still lead in maritime technology. Costing of renovations has al-ways been hazardous and I forecast that the £50 million quoted will inevitably exceed the £60 million price of a new vessel.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT VINCENT, Wildhern, Andover, Hampshire.

From the Minister without Portfolio

Sir, You report today that I have always been determined that HMY Britannia should be saved and that I was a "key figure" in brokering a solution to make it possible.

Aside from the fact that such a solution has yet to be found, I have played no role whatsoever in any formal or informal discussion of the matter and I have no intention of doing so. Your correspondent could easily have checked this with me when he spoke to me before he wrote his article. But then, to do so might have spoiled a good story.

Yours faithfully, PETER MANDELSON, Cabinet Office, 70 Whitehall, SWI.

Changes at Radio 4

From Mr Andrew Cokes

Sir, While welcoming the changes Mr James Boyle proposes for the Radio 4 schedule (reports, July 31) may i recommend a further refinement - the dropping of ceaseless amateur drama-

tics in Ambridge.
As if pantomimes, plays, revues and films performed in the village were not enough we now have a production of A Midsummer Night's Dream with its play within a play.

Actors playing countryfolk play actors playing countryfolk acting: could anything be more ridiculous?

Yours faithfully, ANDREW COKER, 42 Waterlow Road, N19. August 1.

From the Controller of Radio 4

Sir. Sir David Naish, the President of the NFU, expressed disappointment that the extended Saturday edition of Farming Today was being scrapped (report, July 31). It is not. The Saturday programme has been extended further to 50 minutes and remains at its 6.10am placing. It may well broaden its agenda, but will continue to be produced by the Birmingham Rural Affairs Unit.

During the consultations before announcing the Radio 4 changes it be-came clear that Farming Today is valued as the voice of the countryside. The programmes on weekdays and weekends will build on that reputation and I will be urging the programme teams to bring their expertise and sharp journalism on farming, food and the environment to the wider Radio 4 audience.

Yours faithfully, JAMES BOYLE, Controller, Radio 4, British Broadcasting Corporation, Broadcasting House, Portland Place, WI.

From Mr Jack Nelson

Sir, Alfred Hitchcock once calmed a soul-searching Bergman with the words "It's only a movie, Ingrid". Regarding Radio 4, dare 1 suggest it's only the wireless?

Yours sincerely, JACK NELSON, 8 Moreton Drive, Staining, Blackpool. August L

Simple statement

From Miss Margaret Sweetnam Sir, My latest "up-dated" bank state-ment replaces debit and credit with

paid out and paid in. Is this the ultimate dumbing down? Yours faithfully, MARGARET SWEETNAM, 9a Rutiand Gate, SW7.

August 3.

Fields for housing: green or brown?

From Mr Alan Fulford

Sir, Whilst profoundly disagreeing with the more extreme interventionist housing policies advocated by Libby Purves ("Britain's killing fields". July 29), I believe that some Government intervention in the market is inevitable if we are not to terminally deplete our scarcest natural resource

Brownfield sites, however much anathema to developers, can largely satisfy our foreseeable housing needs if the Government is properly com-mitted to a preference for them over greenfield sites. Workable compulsory purchase powers, financial in-centives and tax breaks for privatesector investors and landlords, and a move away from the taboo on medium and high-rise developments in any urban setting: these are some of the positive forces for adjusting the market focus in favour of brownfield

Most importantly, a positive Government commitment to the muchheralded integrated transport policy

— rather than the current negative campaign against road building will deliver the potential for the creation of attractive urban environments. For the Government simply to surrender to the housebuilding lobby, in the manner proposed by Nick Raynsford, MP, would be a crime against future generations, providing yet further evidence that, for new Labour, no part of our heritage is

Yours faithfully, ALAN FULFORD (Chartered building surveyor), 18 Lodge Lane, Prestwood. Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire. August 1.

From Mr Drummond Hunter

Sir, In his anxiety to ensure that every

step taken in regard to the proposed Scottish parliament and Welsh as-sembly should, as we Scots say, be

absolutely "perjink" (Anglice, neat and tidy), Mr Andrew Rowe, MP (let-

ter, July 28), has surely gone too far. The referendums in Scotland and

Wales will merely decide whether the

Scots and the Welsh want their own

These bodies can be established

So far as the Scottish parliament is

way in which to make the 1707 Treaty

of Union work in a modern context.

Salen, Ardnamurchan, Argylishire.

Sir. Of course, we know that Parlia-

ment will legislate following assent to the proposals in the referendums.

That reflects the Labour Party's de-

cision to listen to the views of the

people of Wales and Scotland at last.

That the people of England are con-

tent with such proposals is surely demonstrated by the crushing defeat

Religion in law courts

Sir, As an orthodox Jew, a member of

the clergy and a magistrate, I find

myself well placed to comment on the

advice given in Race and Religion, a

new, glossy booklet, produced by the

National Association for the Care and

Resettlement of Offenders and the

Justices' Clerks' Association (report,

This booklet gives guidance to magistrates on the religious and

cultural practices of ethnic minority

In it magistrates are advised that

lews will wish to take the Oath on the

Old Testament. This is incorrect, for

From the Reverend

July 26).

Jonathan Ordman, JP

From Mr Adrian McMenamin

DRUMMOND HUNTER

(Secretary, Scottish Health Planning

As from: Duncraig House,

Council, 1974-84).

Yours etc.

only as a result of a vote in the House

democratically elected bodies.

Devolution schemes in perspective

From the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Sir, Contrary to Libby Purves's assertion, the last Administration did not aim to keep three-quarters of new homes in urban, or brownfield sites". That figure was in fact suggested last February by the independent Round Table on Sustainable Development.

What the Conservatives did do last year was to publish a Green Paper on household growth which referred to the existing larget of achieving 50 per cent of all new residential develop-ment on previously used land, and sought views on the value of a 60 per cent target. The current furore, it seems, arises simply from the realisation that this target meant 40-50 per cent of new homes would not be built on brownfield sites.

We are still considering the 700 responses to that Green Paper; no final decisions have yet been taken, and we do not expect to make any for some time. I would also point out that most of the growth in households projected in the next ten years is already accounted for in existing regional planning guidance and development

I have always emphasised the importance of quality of life for everyone. whether in towns or the countryside. Rather than a cause for alarm, that should be an aim with which everyone can agree,

Yours sincerely. NICK RAYNSFORD. Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions, Eland House, Bressenden Place, SWI. July 30.

suffered by the anti-devolutionary

party - Andrew Rowe's party - at the

vatives devoted huge effort to warning the people of England, Scotland and

Wales of the dire consequences of de-

volution. It is to their great credit that

they were to dismiss such ludicrous

It will do Mr Rowe and his col-

leagues no credit at all if they choose

to ignore this recent history and

pretend that the Government's de-

volutionary schemes are part of some secret plan revealed only after the

Sir, Your report, "What Scottish home

rule will mean" (July 25), includes a

list of areas of authority which will

I note that between "medical ethics,

including abortion, equality legisla-

tion" and "nuclear safety" there comes

"the UK Senior Salaries Review

claims so comprehensively.

ADRIAN McMENAMIN.

62b Oakfield Road, N4.

From Mr K. E. Martin

remain with Westminster".

Body". Well done, Sir Humphrey.

Meadowbank, Bagthorpe Road,

East Rudham, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

who are orthodox, will wish to affirm.

the taking of the Oath by witnesses as

well as defendants in law courts at-

tracts very little attention, even from

magistrates. Yet when a religious Jew

wishes to affirm then interest is greatly aroused and with it an avoidable

suspicion. All oath-taking is a re-ligious act which sadly. I feel, is now

totally out of place in a court of law.

The booklet's main sources of

reference include The Penguin Dic-

tionary of Religions (1984), but not Jewish religious authorities. Need I

I know from past experience that

Yours faithfully.

K. E. MARTIN

Before that election the Conser-

recent election.

Yours faithfully.

Flurry inside an operating theatre

From Dr Christoph Lees and Dr Martin Lees

Sir, A senior surgeon has been suspended for letting a 16-year-old on work experience hold a retractor during an operation (report, August 2). Has everyone gone mad? A consultant surgeon of many years' standing should presumably be capable of judging whether someone is fit to play a very minor part in assisting an

operation. Did any harm come to the patient? Was there even the slightest possibility of such harm? Every day medical students with very little clinical training perform exactly the same function under close supervision in operating theatres.

Furthermore, suspension of a surgeon can cause immense disruption to patient care and be very expensive to the NHS Trust. Suspension should be a last resort: too often, we believe, it is invoked because of perceived media

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPH LEES, MARTIN LEES, 29 Cressy House, Queen's Ride, Barnes, SW13. August 2.

From Mr C. W. Graham-Stewart

Sir. Your front page today makes much of an incident in which a youngster gained work experience in

an operating theatre.
Holding a retractor during a routine surgical operation is no more complicated than holding a journal-ist's pen and notebook whilst he scratches his head trying to think up something to brighten up the front

Yours faithfully, C. W. GRAHAM-STEWART (Retired consultant surgeon). Redburn, Evanton, Ross-shire, August 2

Jak and the Irish

From Mr Louis Kirby

Sir, Your otherwise excellent obituary of the cartoonist. Jak, said that his "disgust at IRA violence ... seemed sometimes to translate into blind hostility to the Irish as a race".

As a former Editor of the Evening Standard, and as a close friend, I know beyond any doubt that his "blind hostility" applied only to the IRA.

the cartoon mentioned in your obituary, I presented the Standard's defence against the complaint mounted by Ken Livingstone, resulting in a victory for the newspaper.

The Press Council accepted that Jak and the Standard had nothing but good feelings towards the peaceable Irish community, many thousands of whom were of course, as now, its readers.

Yours faithfully, LOUIS KIRBY (Editor, Evening Standard, 1980-86). 22 Moreton Terace, SWI.

Screen idol From Mr Robert Kee

Sir, Your obituary of Rosalie Crutchley (July 31) is a rather bald affair - she was accounted a beauty in her day" must qualify bleakly as runnerup for the Faint Praise Award of the

You make no mention of her regular appearances at the Oxford Playhouse in the late 1930s, when she was a star attraction for many undergraduates, including

Yours faithfully, ROBERT KEÉ. 82 Camberwell Grove, SE5.

Animal rights?

From Mr A. J. Conybears

Sir. You report (July 30) that the Wild Maramals (Hunting with Dogs) Bill would make it an offence "to allow a dog to pursue, injure, attack or kill wild mammals". How can I explain this to my Jack Russell who is a great little ratter?

Yours etc. A. J. CONYBEARE, Old Vicarage, Woolhope, Herefordshire. August).

Word perfect

From Mr Colin Lester

Sir, "Ordinate" is surely the right substitute for "computer-literate" (letter. August 2), since so many of us are subordinate to these machines - except for hackers, of course, who are insubordinate.

Yours faithfully. C. J. LESTER. 47 School Road. Upwell, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire. August 4.

From Mr C. W. Morle

Sir, My son has a word for the computer inexpert: "Dad".

Yours truly. C. W. MORLE, Brook House, Woodhill Avenue, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire. August J.

in most cases Jews, especially those August 4.

From Dr Peter Holden Sir, Mr Milton Shukman's sinus X-ray

Professional fees

does indeed sound expensive (letter, July 30), until you consider the capital costs which any X-ray procedure entails.

At my local hospital the basic cost of the hardware in the X-ray room is about £6 million - and this is before you take into account the building, installation and running costs or the costs of staffing the department (including the reading, interpretation and writing-up of reports on each radiological procedure).

Most of the machinery has to be regularly replaced, usually every six to ten years - the main reason being that older machinery requires much higher doses of radiation to achieve

the same image. The plumber mentioned by Mr Shulman might also argue that his job requires an outlay for expensive equipment. I'm not sure about the QC.

Yours sincerely. PETER HOLDEN, Asker Farmhouse. Asker Lane, Matlock, Derbyshire. July 31.

Expanding horizons From Dr K. Speakman

say more?

Yours sincerely,

JONATHAN ORDMAN,

15 Wellington Road, Pallowfield, Manchester.

Sir, Richard Branson's proposal to provide Virgin customers travelling in his new A340-600 aircraft after 2002 with beds, private rooms, pubs and showers (Virgin to launch hotels in the sky", Business, August 2) will be a wonderful advance for some.

However, I think most air travellers, and certainly those of us over six feet tall, would find an additional three inches of legroom a more urgent Yours sincerely

K. SPEAKMAN, 39 Whinmoor Crescent Leeds, West Yorkshire. August 3.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE August 4: The Princess Royal. President, Royal Yachting Association, this afternoon attended a Council Meeting at Trinity House, Lighthouse Service Engineering Directorate, East Cowes, and was received by Her Majesty's Governor and Lord-Lieutenant of the Isle of Wight (Mr Christopher Bland).

CLARENCE HOUSE August 4: Today is the Anniversary of the Birthday of

Birthdays today

Professor Neil Armstrong.

first man on the moon, 67; Mr

Billy Bingham, football man-

ager, 66; Mr Michael Dia-

mond, former director, Bir-mingham City Museums and Art Gallery, 55; Professor H.G. Dickinson, botanist, 53;

Professor Sir Michael Drury, former president, Royal Coll-ege of General Practitioners, 71; Miss Barbara Flynn, ac-

tress, 49: Miss Joan Hickson,

actress, 91: Lord Hindlip, 57;

Mr Alan Howard, actor, 60; Field Marshal Lord Inge, 62;

Mr R.W. Jewson, chairman,

Savills, 53; Sir Michael Kerry.

QC. former Procurator Gener-

al and Treasury Solicitor, 74;

Mr C.J. Kitching, secretary,

Royal Commission on Histori-

cal Manuscripts, 52; Mr Mar-

tin Lambie-Nairn, designer, 52: Sir Bert Millichip, former chairman, Football Associ-ation, 83: Mr John Monks,

trade unionist, 52; Mr Eric Nicoli, group chief executive, United Biscuits (Holdings), 47;

Mr Rodney Pattisson, yachts-man, 54; Mr K.P. Pearson,

former Headmaster, George

Heriot's School, Edinburgh,

50: Sir Eric Pountain, former

chairman, Tarmac, 64; the Hon Miriam Rothschild, FRS, entomologist, 89; Mr Rob Saunders, rugby player, 29; Sir Nicholas Scott, former MP,

64: Lord Setton of Garston, 82;

Mr Peter Smith, chairman.

Coopers and Lybrand, 51; Miss Theodora Turner, for-

mer matron, St Thomas' Hos-

pital, 90; Mr John Whitaker,

showjumper, 42.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen

The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Commander Richard Tarran, Royal Navy, to be Equerry to His Royal Highness in succession to Lieutenant Colonel Charles Richards, Welsh Guards, who relinquishes the appointment on completion of his tour of

The Duchess of Gloucester Premium Bonds has become Patron of The Progressive Supranuclear Pal-The following Premium Bond sy (PSP) Association for five prizewinners were announced

£100,000: 52BL 414640, win-ner has a holding of £20,000 and comes from East Sussex; 61FK 377048, £14,000, Warwickshire: 9HB 390361, E9.926, Hereford & Worcester; 42DP 708913, E19.000, Middle-sex; 59AN 098012, E18,065,

Lancashire. £50,000: 41HS 517457, £2,100, Nottinghamshire; 48AS 907614, El.000, Merseyside; ISPN 450996, £500, Wiltshire; 41HP 912928, £19,991, Kent; 58SK 366756, £17,020, East Dunbartonshire: ISAP 641675, E5,030, London Borough of Wandsworth; 32NP 233762, E5,217, East Renfrewshire; 20GK 652363, E4,066, Essex; 28VT 863814, £100, Hereford & Worcester.

E25.000: 39WS 347100, £5.004, Wiltshire; 36FW 749462, £10,400, Cheshire; 55LF 968234, £13,201, South Glamorgan; 46TT 590713, £20.000, West Midlands; 45EZ 316360, £2,105, Surrey; 54RZ 721553, £10,000, Essex; 6GF 036245, £15,000, Hamp-6GF 036245, EI5,000, Hampshire; 40CP 225013, £20,000, East Sussex; 32XF 907401, £607, Kent: Z7QP 361510, £19,990, London Borough of Kensington and Chelsea; 62RN 901164, £1,400, London Borough of Waltham Forest: 36VZ 801343, £810, Lincolnshire; 53QP 077873, £19.952, Lancashire: 41VK 929998, E130, Lancashire; 10RP 568724, E1,156, Essex; 66NT 702290, E8,005, Merseyside: 43WL 781275, £19,600, Essex; 29SB 276416, £1,202, Essex; 38ES 310749, £19,450, London

Church of Scotland

Recent appointments and

Ordination and induction The Rev Cameron MacKenzie to Garvald and Morham with Haddington West.

Demissions The Rev Lynn W. Jolly, from St Martin's, Port Glasgow. The Rev Frank Bardgett as Community Minister in Orkney,

Retirements The Rev Iain K. Stiven from Strachur and Strathlachlan. The Rev J. Gordon Grant from Edinburgh Dean.

Borough of Hammersmith

from St Athernase, Leuchars and Guardbridge. The Rev Albert Caie from

The Rev Thomas W. Tait from Rattray. The Rev Alexander K. Cassells

Glenmuick (Ballater).

Dublin Horse Show fights to get back on the social circuit

Sisters remember the days of glory

By Audrey Mages IRRIANO CORRESPONDENT

TWO elderly sisters will continue the tradition of a lifetime this week when they attend Dublin Horse Show which opens tomorrow.

Bridget and Ann Daly, both in their 80s, have long been entering their horses and donkeys in the five-day event which is struggling to regain its status as one of the great social and riding occasions of Britain and Ireland.

The Dublin show was once an elegant affair of silver cuttery, fine hats and evening balls. It was a must for the socialities who attended Henley, Goodwood and Ascot. But now it holds more in common with a regatta where men and women dine on fast food and strut like peacocks in the hope of winning the best dressed

The two Daly sisters, who first attended the 124-year-old show as children, lament its decline. They used to travel to the show from their home in the Curragh. Co Kildare, and continued their annual outing after they moved to London. Only the ban on travel during the Second World War stopped them. Most years they entered horses and donkeys. This year, their 13-yearold donkey mare Eve of the

Park will show her skills. Miss Bridget Daly, 82, said: The whole show has deteriorated in a lot of ways. When we were younger, it was very classy. Everybody spent hours getting dressed up but we weren't trying to win a competition and get money for it. It was just the proper thing to

The horse show was strug-



Ann and Bridget Daly with five-year-old Harriet Byrne who rides their donkey Eve of the Park at horse shows in Ireland

gling for survival in the 1980s as Ireiand became increasingly urban. The spring show, that other great annual agriculture event in Dublin, was abandoned because of falling attendances. But the horse show battled on. Kerrygold, the butter brand owned by the Irish Dairy Board, came in as principal sponsors nine years ago. The company overhauled the event and made it more appealing to suburban families. Today cocktail parties

and balls held in hotels and embassies are helping to put the show back on the Dublin

social map. Seven nations, Great Britain, America, Germany, The Netherlands, Switzerland, France and Ireland, will field teams in this year's jumping competitions which have a prize fund of £230,000. The British team will be led by chef d'equipe Ronnie Massarella and include Michael Whitaker who in June won the Anchen grand-

Direct Graduate Entry.

Sub Lieutenants A Cooper, G F Cox, S Field, R G Gilbert, E

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Direct Graduate Entry. 88

R Crane, M W Craven, H.D.

Gaskell, S G Hammock, G G

Heirs, C M Howe, A R

D Sutcliffe, T M Wright.

C A Rollason.

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prix, the most coveted prize in European showjumping.
Shane Cleary, chief executive of the show which is held at the Royal Dublin Society showground in Ballsbridge, said the line-up of interna-tional teams and riders sur-

passed expectations.
"We have the Olympic gold medallists Germany, the silver medallists USA and the individual silver medallists Switzerland, so competition during the week should be very exciting and intense."

Britannia Royal Naval College

A passing out parade was held at Britannia Royal Naval College (Commodore A.P. Masterton-Smith ADC Royal Navy) on July 31. Vice Admiral M P Gretton, the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic's Representative in Europe (SACLANTREPEUR) took the

The list of officers who Direct Graduate Entry.

Sub Lieutenants J M Arney, T J Berry, R W Burdett, K S Carolan, K Clare, J A Conlin, S Couch, A Dann, I J Davey, R Davis, N M S Davies. S J Downing, N J Ellis, I J Fletcher, A J M Findeis, J A Gray, G H Griffiths, N Griffiths R S I Hamld, I T Heap. N J I Hicks, S W J Higham, B P Howard, N A Howard, T A I Howe, M J Instone, I R Jupp. D M Mann, A C Mason, P A Mason, C A O'Brien, E M Perry, D H Pickering, G J Shanks, C A Squires, N J Trotman, K L Twigg, J A Varty, A J Walsh, M T Ward, I L Wood, S E Yates.

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Engineer (Training Management) Lieutenants C R Darkins, J D Johnson, C Jordan, P M

Jenkins, M R Knight, M J Levine, R A Maclaughlin, N J Maguire, I J McTeer, B G Muirhead, C Raynes, D W Thomas, D M Walsh, G D

Naval College Entry 88 Flight Midshipmen M L Ellison, D J Evans, J F A Lynas, D B

Direct Graduate Entry, 88 Flight Observers Sub Lieutenants S L Carroll, S C Filce, H R Fletcher, R E McManon, C P Taylor.

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Mr A.D.J. Coombes and Miss J.K. Lewis

The engagement is announced between Ashley, son of Mr and Mrs David Coombes, of Radlett, Hertfordshire, and Anna-daughter of Mr and Mrs John Lewis, of Tanworth-in-Arden, Mr S.P. Hartley

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Keith and Judith Hartley, of Burnley, Lancashire, and Sarah, daughter of John and Patricia Parsons, of ickmansworth, Hertfordshire. Mr V.P. Kilcoyne and Miss S.J. Dedmax

and Mas 3.1 Detument The engagement is announced between Vincent, elder son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Kilcoyne, of Achill Island, County Mayo, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Denis Dedman, of Mill Hill, Mr P.J. Last

The engagement is announced between Philip James, second son of Professor and Mrs John Last, of Liverpool, and Daniell Georgia, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Laurence Aryectey, also of Liverpool. Mr G.E. Wiston

and Miles C.L. Whe The engagement is announced between Edward, youngest son of Colonel Anthony Winton, OBE, of Sharnbrook, Bedfordshire, and Mrs Marilyn Misch, of Wichita, Kansas, and Charlotte, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth

and Miss C.V.L. Traill The engagement is announced between Adrian, youngest son of Mr and Mrs John MacKenzie, of Glasgow, and Charlotte, daughter of Mr Ian Traill and Mrs Wyndham

Williams, both of London. Mr C. Ryder and Miss S.V. Soul The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of Mr and Mrs R. Ryder, of Lee Mill, Devon, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr, and Mrs J.O. Soul, of Tourney and Mrs J.O. Soul, of

Trevenevow, Yelverton, Devon. Marriages

Viscount Cobbam and Dr LR Clayton The mairiage took place on Fri-day, August I. quietly at Hagley Hall, of Viscount Cobham to Dr Lisa Clayton Mr F.A. Barnes

and Miss G.E. Harrison The marriage took place yes-terday, at Ashbourne United Re-formed Church, between Francis Albert Barnes and Greer Elizabeth Harrison.

Mr J.W. Hook and Dr S.E. Hughes
The marriage hook place on Saturday, at St Bride's Church, Fleet Street, of Mr James Hook to Dr Sian Hughes.

Mr P.R. Hosp and Mrs A.F. Atherte and Mrs A.P. Amerion
The marriage took place on July
30, 1997, at St John's Church,
Dormansland, of Mr Peter Hosp
to Mrs Angela Atherion.

Mr S.R. Tarver and Miss D.H. Miller and Miss D.H. Miller
The marriage mok place in Helme, near Huddersfield, on July 19, 1997, of Mr Simon Ransom Tarver, younger son of Colonel and Mrs. M.R. Tarver, of Petworth, West Sussex, and Miss Deborah Helen Miller, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. W.D.F. Miller, of Tanthwaise Huddersfield.

Latest wills

Sir Harry Nicholas, of London SW16, General Secretary of the Labour Party 1968-72, left estate valued at £181,865 net.

Sir Robert Aitken, Vice-Chancellor of Birmingham Univer-sity 1953-68, of Edgbaston, Birmingham, left estate valued at £291,296 net.

Lady Tischener-Barrett, of London W8, left estate valued at £1,453,786 net. Lady Dunbar of Hempriggs, of Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham.

Gloucestershire, who assurned the name of Dunbar on claiming succession to the Hempiggs baronetcy after the death of her kinsman, Sir George Cospatrick Duff-Sufh-erland-Dumbar 7th Bt. in 1963. left estate valued at £349,568

She left £500 to the Musicians' Benevolent Fund; £400 to Guide Dogs for the Blind, and to Dogs for see Birms, and windscombe Hospital League of Priends 1280 to St Peter's Church, Windscombe 2200 to the Parkinson Disease Society. Oriando Oldham, of Chelten-

ham, Gloricestershire, left estate valued at £1,115,523 net. He left the Trafalgar Relies (actualing Captain Cooks silver season, essay on fortifulde and a letter to Captain Cooks daughter) along with \$5,000 to HMS Victory Museum. Portsmouth. Cynthia Mary Perries of Outgate, nr Ambleside, Cumbria, left estate valued at £1,438,942.

She left £100,000 to the Campaign for Oxford, Trust Fund; £5,000 each to Police Dependants: Trust, the Parish Church of Hawkabead. Trinity College, Oxford, in addition she left har residuitry estate to See Ryder Foundation, Leonard Cheshire Foundation, Pixwilliam Museum, Combaile Kingt, College. Comp.

Marjorie Katherine Grace Price, of Eastbourne, East Susser, left estate valued at £1,059,405 net She left ELOND to St William's Hospita.

Geoffrey John Scudamore, of Lymm, Cheshire, left estate valued at £1,686,895 net-Francis Anthony Singer, of London SW3, left estate valued

James Rae Southhall, of Great Ayton, Middlesbrough, veiand, left estate valu £1,404,353 net.

left estate valued at £1,039,994 net.

North Humberside, left estate valued at £1,943,120 net.

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PERSONAL COLUMN

life and what have with the Lord, but whoever falls to find me deprives himself and all was the search fare with death. Fraverts 3: 36,36

BIRTHS

COBBOLD - On July 31st to Helen (née Rudwick) and David, a daughter Anale, a sister for Harry.

CRAIG - On list August to Elizabeth (née Yates) and Stephen, a beautful daughter, Imogen Elizabeth, a sister for George and Chardie.

Charlie.

DENCE - On July 31st 1997 to
Lica (use Taylor) and Philip,
a son, Thomas Robert, in
Mansfield. (The Thomas
Dence family of Kingabury,
Shortlands, Kent).

Shorthands, Kent).

The Continue of the Purifical Description to Salam and Ogie, a son, Sphersonase, we give thanks to God for the Continue of the Continue of

sister for Samuel.

MEWHAN - On 31st July 1997
to Louise (nie Euck) and
Richard, a son, Henry Ralph
Gordon, a brother for
Georgina OMOYAMA - On July 25th at The Forthard Hospital to Kimie and Tadahlim, a son, Byo Alexander.

Ryo Assessment. REFVES - On 5th July 1997, a becountful daughter, Emma Checkete to Michelle (nos Cheal) and Stephen. First grandchild to Hatel and Say, Zena and Martin

company amounts.

Portland Hospital at 18:32pm to Garakine and Demost, a daughter leabelle Christina, a sister for South, larner and Themas Sophie, James and Thomas. WAIGHE - On July 30th at The Portiand Hospital to Miks and Takshi, a son, Trubusa. mm jim, a taugater Amasel.

1997 to Benrietta (nés
Stow) and Timothy, a
daughter Octavia Skya.

WOMROW - On August 2nd
1997, to Gay (nés Adams)
and David, a daughter
Scarlet Octavia Jezulma, a
sister for Harry.

ANNIVERSARIES

Daphne, on the 5th August 1947. For blessed with two sons. Congartulations to a wenderful couple! Lots of love from all the family, on this special occasion. JOSEE: HOWELLS - On 5th August 1967 at Golldford, Howard to Elizabeth Falli living happily at East Facisigh, Maidstons.

DEATHS

Active - Ber David William in hospital on 1st August 1997. Service of Thanksgiving on Friday 8th August at woodlord Care United Franch Church at 9.30zm. Family howes. Description Science to Cartallar Md

fishing abroad Dr. Inz. Kennedy, brained Dr. Inz. Kennedy, brained of Mary, father of James and James. Persent descript to tollow All enquiries to Arthur Jary & Sons Funeral Directors, Great European, Tub 01493 844363.

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BERKELEY - On Angust 3rd 1997, peacyfully Montague John Strudwick Herkeley, beloved father of Robin, Grahams and Christopher and a much loved Grandfather. Funeral Service at St Laurence Church, Hawkhurst, Kent on Thursday August 7th at 12.30pm. Donations to The Royal Star and Ganter Home. Richmond Hill, Rickmond, Sarrey Twie 6RE.

Surrey Twit out.

SLAMD - Mary, Formerly a
Ward Slater at Bart's where
she died on Angust 3rd
1997. Dearly loved by lunky
and her family. Beloved
friend of Furnella and so
many others. Funcal at 5t
Bartholomew's-the-less at
Bart's Hospital on Friday 5th
August at 11.30. No flowers
please, but donations if
dested to Carletten Add.

BODY - On 2nd August 1997, Joseph E. beloved husband of Norah and father of Joanna. Funeral private, family flowers only. delight of the state of the sta

SERECHLEY William (John)
Sergeant of Thornton Heath
on 2nd. August 1997
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BROCKIES - Margaret Anna aged 94ym, panerfully on let hagust 1997 in a Denset Numing Hanne. Dens states of Gladys and mother of the late John Levis, Inquiries to A.V. Ridout, F/D, Teh 01425 272835

Shows - Suddenly on July 31st 1997 after 36 wonderful years of life Patal Roow of Newbolme, Richfull Road, Striling, Beloved wife of the late Alastair Brown, deathy loved mother of Handi Sangster and the late Christopher Brown, quantum of Chine, Rooms and Malicolm and mother-in-law of Hagh. Penmal Service in Church of the Holyrude, Striling on Friday 3th August at 11sm to which all friends are respectfully invited and thereafter to Falkirk Communications at 12 mon. No flowers please.

COSSTANTING - Anabel (nóe Veale), on Angust 2nd 1997, at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, pencefully after a short liness havely bome, at the age of 37 litter adored wife of Nigel and mother of Glies and Loving daspitur of Angula and Richard and sixter of Claire, jonathan and Richard. Frivate funeral. A Thankspiving Service will be armoged later in the year. Dozations in lieu of Rowers may be sent to Christehusch. Coldharbour, e/o The Ractory, Ahinger Casanson, Stores, First & Ht.

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2nd August, deur wife of Pernard. Passed away pencertuily after a short libras, aged 74. Pencent at Lambet Crematorium, 11th August at noon. Donntions, if desired, to the Cars Paysection Laugus.

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BOBWELL - Islay (née Campbell) on Angust 2nd, peacefully in hespital. Duarly lowed wife of Christopher, mether of Simon, Gill and Jenny, gundboother of Goy, Châva, Simon, Ente, Hilary and Romand, genet-gundboother of Chylina, Fundaments Sevice at Ali Sainte' Church, Harnatton, Lincohn en Priday, Bin impast at 3pm. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Evil. Bontied franch, ch. Mrs. B. Mitchell, Blackwood House, Nursery Ecod, Loughing, Essex Kill 4EE.

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A gathering to celebrate
Deborah's life will be held at
2.30 pm on Sunday 17th
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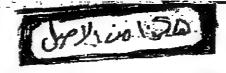


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The Rev Professor Ulrich Simon, former Dean of King's College London. died on July 31 aged 83. He was born on September 21, 1913

he long shadow of Auschwitz fell across Ubrich Simon's life as if did across the lives of most German Jews of his generation. Few of them turned to Christianity as a way to cope with the evil of Nazi persecution, but Ulrich Simon became a convert, and in his 53rd year he confronted the suffering of his people in the book for which he is probably best known. A Theology of Auschwitz (1967). His own father had been murdered in Auschwitz, and in prose of tragic intensity: Simon wrestled with the problem of evil in the light of the religion he had embraced many years earlier.

It was the haunting memory of the suffering innocent, as much as his own personality. that produced his tragic vision of life. He abhorred equally. the superficiality of contemporary secular society and the banalities of modern religion. Nothing satisfied him that was not profound in both conception and expression: the chamber music of Haydn and Beethoven. Dante's Commedia and Geethe's Faust were his touchstones of humanity. At the same time he admired comic genius, especially of the zanier kind: the films of the Marx brothers gave him particular delight. Comedy as well as tragedy, Falstaff as well as Lear, could point the way to the deeper understand-

ing of humanity. Ulrich Ernst Simon was born in Berlin. His father, James, was a fine musician. His mother, Arna, could quote long passages from Nietzsche and was flercely. progressive in her views. The was succeeded by the present

boy grew up in a lively and Bishop of Oxford, Richard cultivated household, and was educated at the Grünewald Undergraduates were spell-Gymnasium. He later recalled the great musicians of the day visiting the house One Klem-parer, Bruno Walter and Erick Kleiber Sometimes figures from the world of literature

such as Thomas and Heinrich Mann — also appeared. A few streets away lived Dietrich Bonhoeffer and his family. His parents had never practised their ancestral religion. and Ulrich was hardly aware of his Jewishness until the rise of anti-Semitism forced the ical situation worsened in the

early Thirties, he and his mother left Germany — she for Switzerland, he for England, crossing the Channel on April 1, 1933. He was never again to see either his father or has brother, both of whom disappeared during the war. The early years of his life are vividly described in his one quasi-autobiographical book, Sitting in Judgment (1978). Simon's passionate search for truth led him in a strange

direction for a German Jew. to King's College London to read for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1935, followed by a period at Lincoln Theological College and ordination into the ministry of the Church of England in 1938, After curacies in the dioces-

es of Southwark and St Albans, he returned to lecture in Hebrew and the Old Testament at King's College in 1945, and remained in the world of the university until his retirement in 1980. He was appointed Reader in Theology in 1959 and in 1971 a Chair of Christian Literature was created specially for him. For two years he was also Dean of King's College, a post he filled with notable, if idiosyncratic, distinction until 1981, when he

bound (and sometimes mystified) by his approach to the interpretation of tents or the exposition of dogma. The most obscure biblical passages and the most abstruce theological speculations would be illuminated by illustrations from the music of Bach or the poetry of Hölderlin.

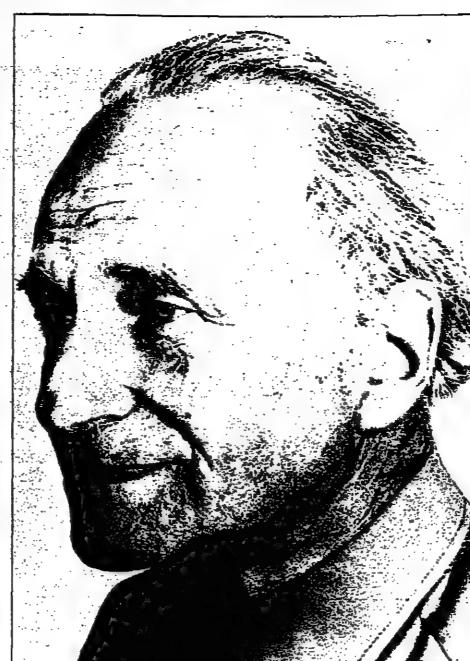
His books began to appear in the late 1940s, each stamped with the distinctive visionary qualities of his imagination. It is for books such as his issue upon him. As the polit- Theology of Crisis (1948), Theology of Salvation (1953), Heaven in the Christian Tra-dition (1958), and The Ascent into Heaven (1961) that he will be widely remembered.

He was often irritated by the administrative chores of instirutional life, and, when he became Dean of King's, he depended greatly upon the efficiency of his secretary. His eyes, like those of his beloved Dante were set on the stars. and he was often suffused (again like Dante) with a kind of righteous anger at the follies of mankind.

Meetings of the faculty were occasionally interrupted by explosive outbursts in which he denounced the stupidity, mediocrity and small-mindedness of those who could not see as far or as deeply as he did. He could be an uncomfortable as well as a stimulating colleague, and a disturbing as well as a loving friend.

Towards the end of his life he became increasingly disen-chanted with what he saw as the vulgarisation of Christian worship and the trivialisation of Western culture. More than ever he turned for solace and inspiration to the great masters of music and literature.

He is survived by his wife, Joan, and by their daughter



FELA KUTI

Fela Anikulapo-Kuti. Nigerian singer and political activist, died of an Aids-related illness on August 2 aged 58. He was born on October 15, 1938.

A FLAMBOYANT singer of international acclaim and an outspoken political opponent of successive military of successive military gov-ernments in Nigeria, Fela Anikulapo-Kuti mixed music with social criticism, and revelled in being a thorn in the side of the authorities. Known to his fans simply as Fela, he also won a reputation for smoking marijuana, sleeping with hundreds of women and dressing only in his underpants.

As one of the earliest and most vocal post-colonial activists, he influenced many through his music, and in Lagos ne commandeo a mili-tant following among the poor and dispossessed.

He was one of five children. Their father was an Anglican cleric and ran a rural grammar school in Abeokuta, a small town in Ogun province, western Nigeria. Their mother also worked at a grammar school, and she was the first to sow the seeds of Fela's political activism.

This was nurtured when he came to Britain in 1960 to study music at Trinity College in London, where besides singing he played the piano and trumpet and met his first wife, a Nigerian. His years in London opened his eyes to the social neglect in his native country, and when he returned to Nigeria in 1963 he formed the Koola Lobitos

His early music was highlife jazz, and his songs were critical of the rich and the growing neglect of roads and other amenities. His political focus was sharpened in 1968 by a tour of the United States with his band. He met members of the Black Panther movement and was exposed to the writings of Malcolm X. Subsequently his music evolved into Afrobeat, a mix of iazz and more traditional African music and his pan-Africanist advocacy shone

through his lyrics. By the early 1970s he was on his way to stardom with records that pulled no punches in criticising military rule in Nigeria, highlighting the brutality and corruption of the country's leaders and singling out individuals for particular criticism. Inevitably this led to confrontation with the au-thorities, and in 1977 he had a wives and three children.

spectacular clash when soldiers stormed his house in Lagos. His mother was thrown from a second-storey window and died six months later from her injuries. Fela received a severe beating that resulted in a broken leg and arm, leaving him unable to play the saxophone.

His confrontation with the authorities reinforced his growing legend as a champion of the people and a crusader for human rights. In 1979 he formed a political party, the Movement for the People, and he was urged to run for president, but the party was disqualified from elections. It was around this time that he persuaded his brother Beko Ransome Kuti, a doctor, to enter the political fray. He assisted Beko, who became president of the Nigerian Medical Association, to organise doctors' strikes, and later his brother formed the human rights organisation Campaign

for Democracy.

In 1981 Fela received another beating from troops using rifle butts, and afterwards he told family members that he felt as if his body had left him. Subjected to continued harassment, he was detained several times and imprisoned. In 1984 he was jailed for 18 months on trumped-up charges before being freed after the judge admitted having been under pressure from the State.

His political fire dwindled in the final two years of his life, even though his brother Beko had been imprisoned by the military strongman Sant Abacha and was being kept in solitary confinement. Fela was said to be disillusioned because the changes he had fought so hard for had not materialised. He stayed mostly at his home in lkeja, a working-class district in Lagos, and gave infrequent performances at his club, the Shrine. He would smoke marijuana on stage and the weed could be purchased, ready rolled, on the premises.

Earlier this year he was held by the drugs squad, which said it hoped to reform his character and wean him off marijuana. There was uproar when he appeared on national television in handcuffs, and officials released him, admitting defeat.

During his heyday Fela changed part of his family name from Ransome to Anikulapo, which means "one who keeps death in his pouch". He is survived by 27



ANDRE GIRAUD

André Girand, former French Defence Minister and head of the country's atomic energy commission, died in Paris on July 27 aged 72. He was born in Bordeaux on April 3, 1925.

ANDRE GIRAUD'S lifelong dedication to French grandeur was second only to that of his hero General Charles de Gaulle. He was twice a cabinet minister and was even considered a possible prime minister, had Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and not Prançois Mitterrand won the 1981 French presidential elections. Giraud exercised his greatest influence as a lifelong and ardent defender of French independence, be it in energy, industry or defence. He was the incarnation of the engineer from a grande école turned technocrat, or what the French

call un grand serviteur de l'Etat, a term used by both Right and Left to describe him. At different periods he was in charge of national oil policy, ran the Commissariat & L'Energie Atomique, with its massive programme of nuclear power stations and its

close connections to the military, and was a free-spending Defence Minister before the fall of the Berlin Wall. Then, and later, he defended both National Service and nuclear testing in the Pacific, two pillars of French policy that have since been removed. He never held an elected office, for he was a proud, even arrogant, man who operated best in committee rooms rather than on the hustings.

Giraud's father was administrator of a lyote, and his upbringing was strict. He had early thoughts of a career in the navy, but the scuttling of

the French Fleet in Toulon in 1942 affected him deeply. He called it a national humiliation. It turned him overnight into a passionate adolescent Gaullist and made him think again about his future career. He entered the Polytechnique grande école in 1944 and was in the same class as Giscard d'Estaing, a future ally. He also graduated later from the Ecole des Mines.

After the war he rose to senior positions within the Ministry of Industry's oil divi-sion and at the Institut Francais du Pétrole, working with the state oil companies to obtain the best deals after the loss of the Algerian oil fields in 1962. (He also found time to be vice-president of the Renault car firm.) He ensured that Paris had petrol during the political and social upheavals of May 1968.

After running the oil sector, Giraud moved in 1970 to the nuclear field as head of the atomic energy commission (CEA). He found the CEA in bad shape. Relations were tense with Electricité de France (EDF), industry in general and with the military. Giraud established both order within the commission and close co-operation with formerly hostile organisations; he himself joined the board of EDF.

When Raymond Barre, Prime Minister under Presi-Giscard d'Estaing, named him Industry Minister in 1978, Giraud reiterated his firm belief that "technical progress is the principal instrument of social progress". It was a difficult three-year period, with crisis in the French steel industry, the second oil shock and growing objections to the national nuclear policy.

Opposition to nuclear pow-

er was brushed aside, although Giraud did order work on alternative energy sources. and encouraged energy saving and high-tech industries. His outspokenness was tinged with authoritarianism and, combined with his confidence in his own intellectual ability. led to frequent rows with oil company chairmen and other ministers. Giraud was short, dapper and sported a small moustache. He always considered himself a leading member of the French elite and did not hesitate, during the political cohabitation of the mid-1980s, to speak his mind in the strongest terms to President Mitterrand on questions of national security and French

Before that, however, there was the defeat of Giscard d'Estaing and the arrival of Mitterrand at the Elysée in 1981. Giraud became Professor of Geopolitics at the new Paris-Dauphine University, but he also joined several boards, and continued to be a force behind the scenes. In 1986 Jacques Chirac, then

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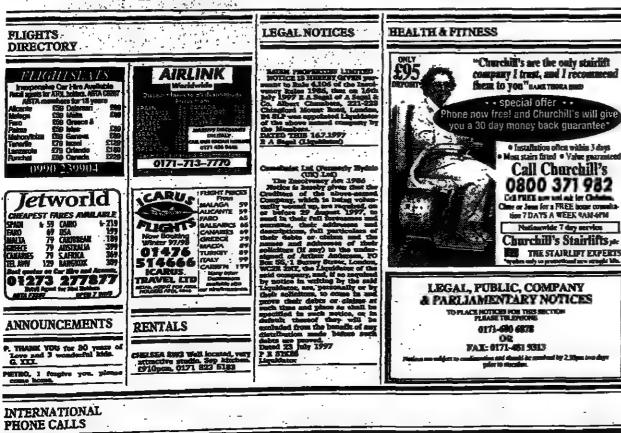
Prime Minister, made him Defence Minister. Rarely has a holder of the post found such great favour with service chiefs. He ordered Lafayette frigates for the Navy, paid for a naval version of the Rafale fighter, modernised the Plateau d'Albion intercontinental missile site in Provence and approved studies of the M45 missile with its lorry-borne ramps. Conservatives and Socialists voted for this military budget, but after 1990 and the fall of the Berlin Wall, Giraud's annual 4 per cent increase in defence spending was abandoned.

The Socialists' return to parliamentary power in 1988 saw his departure from active politics, although he joined the boards of several large com-panies, including GEC, wrote articles on the need for French independence (he opposed French participation in the Gulf War) and ran the alumni associations of the grandes

He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.



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ON THIS DAY **BRUSSELS A DEAD CITY** From a Belgian Corresponden

Belgians who were in Brussels during the first weeks of the German occupation, and have since succeeded in escaping to neutral countries, state that the absence of transport and raw materials prevents any return to

ern France.
Hundreds of bridges have disappeared. and the wooden structures which have taken their places are not strong enough to bear trains or motor-cars, except at a snail's pace. Traffic on the canals is also painfully slow on account of the obstructions caused by debris from wrecked bridges, and many railway and

normal economic life in Belgium and North-

canal routes are entirely unusable.

Brussels, formerly so lively and gay, has become a dead city, according to these informants. Tramcars do not run after 9.30 p.m. and few cars are to be seen as the military authorities have requisitioned many and petrol is difficult to get. Motor-lorries no longer of use for the army have been resold by the Germans to commercial and industrial firms, who use them for goods transport. Food has been severely rationed and there is available buys articles of prime necessity

August 5, 1940

Not for another four years, after the city was liberated by the Allies in September 1944, did Brussels come alive again

whenever he has the chance. Most of the cales are open, but when Germans enter the elgian customers fall silent and soon begin to leave, one by one, without waiting to finish their drinks. It is evident, however, that the Germans have received instructions to show oliteness and even kindness on every occasion. With an ostentation which makes the Belgians laugh, the Germans give up their seats in the transcars to old or infirm passengers, and in the streets they are to be seen giving cigarettes to beggars. Occa-sionally the German authorities announce that they have arrested a German soldier who failed to show respect to civilians, and the guilty man is paraded through the streets with manacled wrists.

When the German troops pass by the Belgian public look the other way. There was a great military review in Brussels, outside the Royal Palace, some days after the Belgian Fête Nationale, but few Belgians turned out for it. In spite of the hatred felt towards the invader, however, the Belgians will need even more courage than in the last War if they are to preserve their faith and hope.

They are finding it hard to explain the swift defeat of their army and especially to account for the catastrophic collapse of France. They are so mistrustful of German propaganda. that they suspend judgment on a great number of questions, but the fact that King Leonold III, in retirement in his chateau at Lacken, near Brussels, regards himself as a prisoner and does not treat with the invader. supports their morale.

Several Brussels theatres have reopened and turned themselves into music-balls. They are frequented only by Germans and the less desirable elements among the city population. Honest citizens meet in little groups behind friendly doors, and it is already clear that intellectual as well as political activity will be



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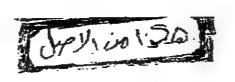
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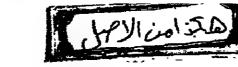
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That is not all. New this year are three special mini-leagues running concur-

rently with the ITF league: a Women's League, the Mitre Students League and the Dairy Crest Youth League for under-18s. The winning team in each category will win a trip for two to the World Cup in France next year. Monthly prizes of Premiership tickets, Mitre footballs and sports bags will also be awarded in each league for the manager of the month.



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Mandelson accused of fixing news

■ The Government was accused of leaking details of a security investigation into Chris Patten, the former Hong Kong Governor, and playing politics with the Royal Yacht Britannia, to try to deflect attention from Robin Cook's marriage.

Sir Brian Mawhinney, the Shadow Home Secretary, said that the tactics were evidence that the Government had manipulated the media. "We have seen them point the finger at Chris Patten to divert attention from a number of unfavourable stories and the Uxbridge by-election" ...

Crash pilot keeps feet on the ground

The captain and crew of an airliner which blocked much of Manchester's main runway after it crash-landed were "too shaken" to speak publicly of the calm professionalism that saved the lives of 63 passengers Pages 1, 3

Traffic heart attacks

Thousands of heart attacks may be caused by traffic pollution, according to a seven year survey of cardiac patients

Lottery resignation One of the founding directors of Camelot, the National Lottery operator, resigned weeks after the latest damaging outburst over "fat cat" pay ...

Suicide secret

The family of Gordon McMaster, the MP for Paisley South who was found dead in his car a week ago, said that it did not intend to publish the two page suicide note in which he attacked two Labour figures...

Pilot's difficulty

The pilot of the twin-engined Cessna which crashed killing three people appeared to have problems manoeuvring the aircraft on a previous flight .. Page 3

Driver needs help

The former wife of a barrister who drove off after crashing her Land Rover through the wall of a cottage was sentenced to 150 hours community service and told to seek help... Page 4

Fashlon claim

A former fashion student who claims his design for an "off the breast" dress was copied by Alexander Mc-Queen has been granted legal aid to pursue a damages

Queen Mother

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother went walkabout among the crowds who had gathered outside her London home to celebrate her 97th birthday ... Page 6

Empty plinth In the heart of New Delhi a stone canopy reserved for a statue of Mahatma Gandhi. India is too

embarrassed, perhaps too ashamed, to erect it____Page 8

Television battle

israel is winning the propaganda war being waged on American television in the wake of the Jerusalem bombings Page 9 Volcano talks

Bertrand Osborne, the Chief Minister of the stricken island of Montserrat, began talks in London on whether the tiny Caribbean island is still viable after two years of devastating volcanic

Clinton allegation

eruptions

President Clinton was alleged to have kissed and fondled a woman in his private hideaway off the Oval Office, according to a new twist in the Paula Jones sex harassment case Page 10

EU attacks Germans

The European Commission launched an unusually direct attack on German politicians in an apparent attempt to scotch the growing Euroscepticism in the

MPs get a new look on top

■ Haircuts from Hampstead — with prices to match — are coming to the Commons. The contract to replace the barber who has given MPs short back and sides for the past 27 years has been awarded to a unisex hairdressing salon which will style, shape and even highlight the honourable members' crowning glory Page 1



Children cover their ears as the Royal Horse Artillery fire a 41-gun salute in Hyde Park to mark the Queen Mother's 97th birthday. Page 6

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Lottery: Camelot embarked on a damage-limitation exercise following the shock departure of David Rigg, one of the consortium's founding directors Page 23

British Airways: The industrial action that brought havoc to thousands of flights last month will wipe £125 million from the company's profits Page 23

Pearson: The media and publishing group has committed itself to improving its earnings by at least 10 per cent a year and to doubling its stockmarket value within five . Page 23 VESUS ...

Markets: The FTSE 100 fell 3.6 to 4895.7. Sterling was unchanged at 105.3 after a fall from \$1.6367 to \$1.6306 but a rise from DM3.0385 to DM3.0394... ... Page 26

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Athletics: Denise Lewis won Britain's first medal at the world championships in Athens, taking silver in the heptathlon _____ Page 44

Cricket: Peter Such, of Essex, broke the record for the number of balls bowled in a county championship innings when he delivered 516 against Leicestershire at Page 38

Rugby league: St Helens secured a world club championship quarterfinal play-off at home to Paris Saint-Germain when they restricted their margin of defeat by Penrith to six points Page 40

Rugby union: Leicester signed Michael Horak, who can play full back or centre. Horak was a South Africa under-21 international before moving to Australia ... Page 40

Still alive: Even the most audacious innovators of 20th-century art have been drawn to still-life composi-

tions - and some of the best head for the Hayward Gallery _ Page 14 Glasgow feast: Glasgow's mustums and galleries have raided their vaults to mount a show of largely forgotten artists that reveals the

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Prom problem: Two sessions of music-theatre - The Gondoliers and Mahagonny Songspiel/Seven Deadly Sins - produced mixed

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State your terms: Is Hong King a state in legal terms? Page 33 Ripe for reform: A superdiary magistrate who has just retired explains why the time is right for judicial reform Page 35

The Washington Post and The New York Times have reported that Bill Clieben's dream is to have his face exulpsed on Mount Rushmore. His supporters say he has balanced the budget, promoted racial integration, and enlarged Nato but he still does not yet measure up to Washington, Lincoln or Jefferson

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Preview: Thousands died building Stalin's railway that never ran True Stories (Channel 4, 9pm). Review: Joe Joseph on the making of a vowel-free dance Pages 42, 43

Mucking out the byre

Gordon McMaster's socide is a private tragedy, but it also raises questions of legitimate public interest. The picture energing of the Scottish Labour Party is not an edifying one Page 17

Buried bounty

History should not be the subject of court wrangles. The Roman, Section

Flying economy

After many years of devoting tax-payers dollars to costly space missions the US space agency Nasa has decided it wants quicker and better results....

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Why can't 1997 have the gots an hald on the past rather than con-ing it? Since the symptotic diple matic and commercial usefulness of a Royal Yacht is now widely accepted, why not have a new Page 16

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One of the chief reasons I have never been able to take reports of alien contact seriously is that no spaceship ever contains allens the occupants are always humani Oh, yes, they do show a few minor: variations such as large eyes, or pointed ears but otherwise they are: based on the same general designas you and I

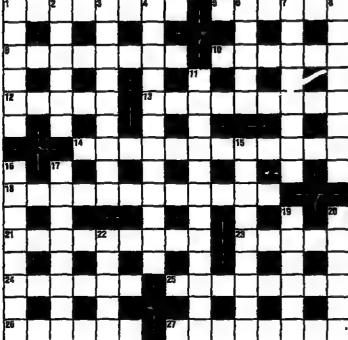
IAIN DUNCAN SMITH

Pension companies could be forgiten for casting a wary eye over a Government that is guilty of the biggest attack on funded pension provision since the war, especially as it seems to derive from an instinctive prejudice against the private sector Page 16

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- I Symbolic story in which friend captures dreadful ogre (8).
- 5 Settled little creature once help has been brought in (4.2).
- 9 Ship from resort entering channel 10 Note singer vocalised (6).
- 12 Brave type died making formal
- 13 Institution destroying our hope so (9).
- 14 Mysterious object that could be a curse (6.6).
- 18 Group having total control over opponents in game (12). 21 Finery from a fashion centre
- housed in study (9). 23 Angel moving through the air, we
- Solution to Puzzle No 20.549

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- 24 Leaves from India in this vessel
- 25 Left looking evil (8).
- 26 Information about end of fight in US territory (6).
- 27 Was in great pain doctors diagnose (8).

DOWN

- I Notice short book of words for e.g. crossword (an (6). 2 Component in hospital sterilised? (6),
- 3 The trickiest contract to get (5.4). 4 Welcome one gives? Travelling
- rep notices it (12). 6 Foreign character served beer by
- public house, originally (5). 7 Condemn animal's lair providing
- cover for wild cat (8). 8 Pit needs some ventilation,
- according to report (8). 11 Feeling a need to sit that has been
- going on for ages? (4-8). 15 Love helping after a party (9).
- 16 Learned university jazz expert received by journalists (S).
- 17 Bag a bit of sleep, you say? That leads to dismissal (8).
- 19 Battered American nursing a break (6). 20 Ostentatious little girl cleared (6). 22 Creature that hops over the street

to perch (5).

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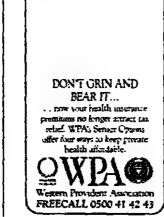
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HOMES As the Glorious Twelfth approaches, a look at Scottish estates for sale

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of England, Scotland and Northern Ireland will be pleasant and bright Low cloud and mist will imger along east coasts. Night in southern England. Water and the Midlands will be very humid.

London, SE, Centhal 6 England: Warm sunshine. Humid. Flak of thundery showers Max 29C (82F).

E Anglis, Midlands, E England, N Waters Early mist, becoming warm and surny. Increasing threat of thunderstorms. Moderate NE wind. Mex 26C (79F).

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Borders, Edinburgh & Dundes, Aberdeen, Edinburgh & Dundes, Chiney, Shettand: Sarly mist on the coast, wern and sunny inland. Mex 22C (72F): cooler on the coast.

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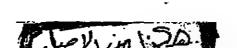


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BUSINESS EDITOR Patience Wheatcroft

Pearson plans to double market value in five years

TUESDAY AUGUST 5 1997



Scardino: chant of "1332 or bust"

PEARSON, the troubled media and publishing group, wowed to improve its earnings by at least 10 per cent a year and to double its stock market value within five years.

Marjorie Scardino, the American who took over as chief executive at the start of the year, said last Friday's closing share price of 660p was the benchmark. "We've already begun this '1332 or bust' chant," she said. On the earnings target, she said: "We'd be disappointed if it's in low double digits, the 10 per

Pearson's diverse imprests include the Financial Times, Penguin Books, Madame Tussaud's, the Lazard Brothers investment bank and the television company behind Neighbours, the Australian soap opera. In recent years the company has disappointed investors with its loss-making acquisition of Mindscape, a computer software business. and, six months ago, the discovery of a £100

million fraud at Penguin.

Mrs Scardino said the company would concentrate on three financial targets: revenues, margins and cash generation. She said: "The kind of company we want to become is one that produces consistent stable growth year after year, no matter hat the weather."

Mrs Scardino said it was "just not true" that she and Greg Dyke, who heads Pearson Television, were conducting "open warfare", as has been suggested. She also denied that a management buyout of Pearson TV had ever been put to Pearson's board. She said television was Pearson's Mr Dyke were working together to develop

Encouraged by better than expected halfyear results, the City drove Pearson's share price 262 p higher to 6922 p.

Pearson reported a pre-tax profit of £80.7 million on sales 2 per cent higher at £958 million. The improvement from a £30.2 million profit last year was helped by a £31.3 million profit on disposals, mainly from its shares in Flextech, the cable television programming company that yesterday denied its chief executive Roger Luard was plan-ning to resign. Earnings rose from 2.8p to llp and the interim dividend is to be ineased 9 per cent to 7.5p a share.

Operating profits from continuing busisses almost doubled to £65.5 million, led

Times, which increased its contribution from £3.5 million to £22.4 million on the back of strong advertising, record circulation and reduced costs. Penguin made £20.4 million (£7.7 million). Mindscape cut its

losses to £15.1 million (£39 million).

Mrs Scardino said: "We think we are making good progress. We feel really good about these half-year results."

Pearson has recruited Peter Jovanovich, esident of McGraw-Hill Educational and Professional Publishing, the largest school and college publisher, to replace Larry Jones as chairman of Addison Wesley Longman, the group's educational publisher.

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BUSINESS TODAY

Busmen put float windfalls

BUS drivers with MTL Trust, the Liverpool operator, who are set for a £20,000 windfall when the company joins the stock market in the autumn. have put their payouts in danger by voting in favour of a 24-hour strike this Saturday.

in a dispute centring on MTL's two-tier pay structure. in which new drivers are paid much less than their more experienced colleagues, more than a thousand MTL shareholders have voted in favour of industrial action.

City analysts have said that the dispute might shave as much as £20 million from the £120 million at which the company was expected to be valued. This downgrade would wipe £4,000 from the value of each worker's potential holding — against an average increase of £1,600 a

year that is under debate. In the negotiations, which have been going on for the past month, MTL has raised its pay offer from 2.75 to 3 per cent for the higher-paid drivers and offered an 11 per cent rise on the lower pay hand.

One City analyst said: "One of the biggest areas in any bus company is cost control. Drivers are already being paid a 20 per cent discount to the UK average wage, and there's only so much more you can cut from this. Any industrial action is certainly not going to help the flotation."

The company said that the drivers had already called off two strikes and it was hoping to reach an agreement before Saturday.

Payout up 33% at buoyant HSBC

BY ROBERT MELLER, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

HSBC Holdings, the UK's biggest bank, marked the half-way stage of an am-binous 11 billion global acquisition: programme with higher than expected interim

jump in pre-tax profits to £2.6 billion. HSBC, which owns time dividend by 33 per cent to 20p, payable on October 8. Earnings per share rose 10 per cent to 66p. A pleased market pushed the shares 442p

higher, to £22.38.
The HSBC acquisition team, spearheaded by Sir William Purves, group chairman and John Bond, his chief executive, has spent some 6600 million in the six months to June 30 with plans to match that figure in the second half. of the year. HSBC, bought a 10 per cent stake in Perus Banco del Sur as well as establishing Banco HSBC Bamerindus in Brazil, capitalised at around

HSBC has also agreed in principle to buy a 19.9 per cent. stake Grupo Financiero Serfin in Mexico and increase its investment in Banco Santiago In Chile to 6.99 per cent.

To cap its Latin American expansion programme, HSBC has agreed to acquire the holding company of the Roberts Group, a major financial services company in Argentina. Sir William said the investments made in the first half of the year "will broaden the



es: broader horizons

group's platform for growth into the next century".

Closer to home, the HSBC chairman moved to dampen speculation that the group acquisition. He said: "We do keep our eyes open but we don't have a shopping list and the board have not considered watch the UK market as we watch all markets - we are a

global player."
Midland reported a 27 per cent rise in pre-tax profits, to £829 million, and a 10 per cent billion, in the first six months. Sir William indicated that

the fall in UK banking's costto income ratio, to 57 per cent from 64.1 per cent in the same. and increased staff and investment at First Direct, Midland's telephone bank. In the hist six months of the year, Midland took a share of almost 4 per cent share of new

mortgage business.

Hang Seng Bank in Hong
Kong lifted profits to £394
million (£368 million), while Hongkong Bank and its subsidiaries contributed £3 million less than last time, at 6815 million. Sir William said he was confident about business prospects after the hand over from British control of Hong Kong to China. Profits from HSBC Americas rose £27 million to £142 million, with Marine Midland Bank's acquisition of First Federal Sav-

ings and Loan of Rochester being fully integrated. Dealing profits at HSBC were mixed after a £53 million improvement in foreign exthange trading results were offset by a £13 million fall inderivatives. Equity and other trading results were down £51 million, largely due to an underwriting transaction in Hong Kong that went wrong. Of the loss, Sir William said: These things happen from time to time - it's what investment bankers do."



Founding director rides out of Camelot

By Jon Ashworth

CAMELOT, the National Lottery operator, embarked on a damage-limitation exercise yesterday after the surprise decision to quit of David Rigg, one of the consortium's found-

ing directors.

Mr Rigg, 49, who became the televised face of Camelot. is to step down as director of communications in October, taking with him £30,000 in a long-term bonus. He was at the forefront of the recent row with Chris Smith, the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, which came close to forcing the resignation of the Camelot board.

Carnelot sources said Mr Rigg had been considering a move for the past two years. He had the choice of either seeing Camelot through its bid for the next lottery licence, up for renewal in September 2001, or taking on a new Tempus, page 26 | challenge. He has received

several job offers. Mr Rigg said his decision to leave was not linked to doubts over Camelor's licence, "The Government White Paper has left the door wide open to a variety of ways of running the thing in or you don't." the future," he said. To assume the events were linked

was "entirely the wrong reaction". Camelot's directors came close to resigning during the recent confrontation over "fat cat" pay. Mr Smith was said to be apoplectic with rage over the awards of bonuses to senior directors and demanded that they surrended the crisis was averted when the directors undertook to give an

payments immediately. The unspecified amount to charity. Tim Holley, Camelot's chief executive, said he was saddened that Mr Rigg was leaving, but understood his

reasons. He said: "I'm very

sad because David and I have been close friends, and we've worked very closely together. but people move on in their careers. Camelot is quite a narrow, focused company, and you either go at this point.

There are no immediate plans to replace Mr Rigg. Commenting on the Camelot pay row, Mr Rigg conceded that it would have been better to declare bonuses upfront. but added: "At the time, in 1993, we thought we were doing the right thing. Fatcatting hadn't become a polit-

Educated at Millfield, Mr Rigg spent years as a banknote salesman, surviving stray bullets in Ethiopia, and being imprisoned briefly in Libya for possessing a copy of Time magazine. Married, with three children, he lives in south west London.

Clinton aide gives tobacco warning

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN NEW YORK

A SENIOR policy adviser to President Clinton yesterday called for the \$368.5 million (£216 million) settlement between American states and the tobacco industry to be "strengthened", and for stiffer penalties to be written into

Speaking on NBC tele-vision's *Today* programme, Bruce Reed, who is a domestic policy adviser to the President. said that the White House wanted to empower the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to regulate tobacco as a "drug".

Mr Reed said: "The settlement needs to be settled in some key ways. We need to make sure that we give the Food and Drug Administration the full authority it needs to do the job."

The agency, he said, was central to our ability to reduce smoking and reduce nicotine addiction over time".

Mr Reed's remarks have come as a blow to the tobacco industry, and constitute the clearest indication to date that the industry will face stiff opposition from the White House over the forthcoming ratification of the proposed settlement.

A major source of presiden-

tial disquiet, according to Mr

Reed, are the penalties to be

levied if the industry fails to

induce a reduction of 60 per cent in teenage smoking within ten years. These penalties - \$1.5 billion for each percentage point by which the industry falls short of the target — "need to be strengthened", according to

Mr Reed. He added: "There is some question as to whether those penalties should be tax deductible, as they are in the proposed settlement, but we think we can come up with a very

tough agreement."

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CBI in talks with TUC

over union recognition

By Philip Bassett. Industrial editor

THE Government is backing a move by business leaders and trade unions to hold private talks that may lead to the legal recognition of

Ministers have indicated that if business and unions can agree on the contentious issue of trade union recognition, the Government will adopt the proposals from both sides of industry as the Government's preferred plan for

Leaders of the Confederation of British Industry and the Trades Union Congress have begun a series of private talks centring on Labour's plans for statutory recognition

Labour's proposals to introduce a law requiring com-

Horlick woos top team to SocGen

NICOLA HORLICK, the former leading Morgan Grenfell fund manager, is building a team at Société Generale (SocGen), with three key appointments including that of a senior Morgan Grenfell execu-tive (Robert Miller writes). Graham Wethered, an

assistant director of cilent service at Morgan Grenfell, is to join Ms Horlick as head of administration of her team at SocGen.
Peter Seabrook, UK

chief investment officer at Fleming Investment Management joins SocGen as senior fund manager charged with building the UK equity team. Robert Guest, of Johnson Fry. the financial services company, is to head SocGen's compliance and legal depanies to recognise trade unions if a majority of the workforce wishes was one of the few issues over which Labour stumbled during the general election campaign. Ministers are therefore keen to enact Labour's manifesto commitment on the issue in a way that will work in practice.

Under statutory recognition, companies would have to bargain with unions on pay. conditions, holidays and

Trade union leaders were disappointed that the Government did not include plans for recognition in its legislative timetable for this year, and they are keen to see proposals on it brought forward in a promised White Paper.

Business leaders remain strongly opposed to statutory recognition, which they believe might well disrupt arrangements for workforce communication and consultation that many companies already have in place. How-ever, they accept that, with a big majority in the Commons, the Government will bring forward legislation on the issue. As such, they want a hand in shaping Labour's plans in order that they work best in practice. In private talks, senior min-

isters have made clear to CBI and TUC leaders that if they can agree between themselves on the issue, the Government would be likely to adopt their plans in its White Paper, due by the end of the year.

However, they have emphasised, too, that the offer is not open-ended, and that they will proceed with recognition in any case if unions and business are unable to agree. Ministers judge that proposals to give legal standing to

trade unions where a majority of workers want it are more likely to win acceptance from companies if they have, in effect, been agreed by a body such as the CBI.



Alan Sugar is suing in the US and facing a challenge to damages in the UK

Seagate poised to fight £86m award to Amstrad

By Jason Nisse

SEAGATE Technology, the US computer disk maker, is expected today to lodge an appeal against the £86 million damages that the High Court told it to pay to the shareholders of Amstrad, which officially ceased to exist last

Amstrad shareholders have been given a litigation certificate entitling them to a payout from the Seagate action and a similar lawsuit against Western Digital, another disk maker, which is due to be

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heard in California this autumn. The £86 million award is worth about 50p per share

The certificates have attracted interest from a number of traders, particularly in the US, who have noted that the last price of Amstrad shares, 278p, implied a value of just 94p each for the certificates. Klesh & Co. the secondary debt dealers, said yesterday that it is considering making a market in the certificates. Amstrad shareholders have

already received 163p a share in cash, Betacom stock worth 4lp per Amstrad share and a share in Viglen, the personal computer business, whose price fell 4p to 644p on its first day of trading yesterday.

The poor performance of Vigien prompted Alan Sugar, Amstrad's founder, to post-pone plans to cut his stake in Viglen from 35 per cent to 10 per cent. He said that he did not feel that the price reflected the underlying value of the

BIRMINGHAM Midshires,

the fifth-biggest building soci-

ety, is to buy the commercial

mortgage book of UCB Bank

The mortgage book com-prises 1,300 loans worth a total

£460 million. The purchase

doubles the Birmingham

Midshires commercial loan

lieved to be in talks with the

Royal Bank of Scotland about a takeover, said that buying

the mortgage portfolio fitted in

with its plans for expansion. Nigel Milner, Birmingham

Midshires head of husiness

finance, said: "This purchase

is in line with our strategy to

grow through acquisition."

for an undisclosed sum.

book to E920 million. The society, which is be-

Bank gets hint of high street spending slowdown

By Graham Searjeant INANCIAL EDITOR

AHEAD of this week's monthly interest rate meeting, the Bank of England's monetary policy committee was given signs yesterday that previous rises in interest rates have made some impact on spending. Both house prices and growth of money supply appear to have slowed.

Halifax, the biggest mortgage lender, reported that house prices had remained stable in July, rising by an average of just 0.1 per cent after a modest 0.3 per cent rise in June. Halifax said this was consistent with a continuation of the 6.4 per cent average rise

recorded over the past year. The Halifax index is more reassuring than the Nation-wide Building Society, which concluded last week that prices went up 1.8 per cent between June and July alone, and were up more than 12 per cent over the past 12 months. Nationwide figures give more prominence to deals in London and the South East,

where the market is buoyant. Government figures sug-gest that housebuilders also believed that the boom in house prices might be easing. In the three months to end June, 50,200 dwellings were started, 10 per cent more than the second quarter of 1996 but 12 per cent fewer than in the first quarter of this year.

Growth in Mo, the cash measure of money supply, rose by only 0.1 per cent in July, which clipped the annual rate of growth to 5.9 per cent from 6.2 per cent in June (a figure revised down from 6.3) per cent). Growth of narrow, money in the past three and six months also came back, on an annualised basis, to 6.7 per cent and 5.2 per cent respectively. These remain well ahead of the last official monitoring range of 0-4 per cent:

Jonathan Loynes of HSBC Greenwell said: "These figures provide the first hint that high street spending softened a little in July after the windfall-induced surge in the previous month. But they are unlikely to hold too much sway with the members of the monetary policy committee".

The society already has the

loan books of Hypo-MSL,

Western Trust and Savings

parent company of UCB Group, said it had sold off the

loan portfolio to reduce the

bank's exposure to commer-

clai lending. Compagnie Bancaire sold off the residen-

tial loan book of UCB to

Nationwide Building Society

two years ago.

UCB will continue to ad-

minister the mortgages for the

short term. The society hopes that by the start of next year, it

will be able to administer the

The society's assets now

stand at more than £8 billion.

loan book itself.

Compagnie Bancaire, the

Bank and Crédit Agricole.

Woolwich clashes with the Revenue

THE Woolwich, the building society that floated on the stock exchange on July 7, has clashed with the Inland Revenue over a plan to give its members more time to transfer their windfall shares into personal equity plans (Peps). The Woolwich has struggled to send share certificates to thousands of its members. These are urgently needed if members are to Pep their shares within the 42-day deadline set by the Revenue. This expires on

August 15. The Woolwich elaimed yesterday that the Revenue had granted it a dispensation to date late certificates using the Monday of the week in which they were sent. That would be the work of the week in which they were sent. give members a rolling deadline. However, a Revenue spokesman denied that, saying the 42-day window started from the date of allocation, of which there could only be one. The Woolwich could face a hefty compensation bill if: many members are prevented from using Peps.

Study success for LIG

LONDON International Group, the healthcare group, release, the result of a clinical study that showed the efficacy of Dana Avanti, the world's first polyurethane condom for men, was comparable to that of traditional high quality lates condoms. The study was conducted by the Los Angeles Regional Family Planning Council. Dr William Potter, LIG's scientific affairs. director, said that Durex Avanti already has approval for launch in Europe. The shares were unchanged at 1672p.

Newport targets Delyn

NEWPORT HOLDINGS, the property group, yesterday assisting a 69.6 million, 110p a share bid for Delyn, the Alba share company. Shares in Delyn rose 17p to 98 p. Newport offering four new shares for three Delyn shares. Bob Carton Porter. Newport chairman, said: "I have today approached the chairman of Delyn with a view to obtaining his board's recommendation and I will be writing to the shareholders and strongly urge them to accept our full and generous offer."

Foster's wine deal

THE wine division at Foster's Brewing, Mildara Blass, has acquired Cellarmasters Wine for about A\$160 railion (£72 million). Cellarmasters operates a mail and telephone order wine business and has helped to expend the wine market in Australia and New Zealand. Ray King, chief executive of Mildara Blass, said Cellarmasters would continue as an independent operation. Profit before interest and tax in 1996-97 at Cellarmasters is estimated at A\$22 million.

Brown's advisers named

THE TREASURY has made the first two appointments to its new-style Council of Economic Advisers, in which each member will tackle specific issues to advise the Chancellor on the design and implementation of policies. Chris Wales, a tax expert at the Arthur Andersen accountancy firm, and Paul Gregg of the London Business School Centre for Economic Performance, will work slongside Treasury teams dealing respectively with tax and employment.

Zeneca approval

ZENECA, the pharmacemicals group has received formal approval from the British Medicines Control Agency to market Seroquel, an antipsychotic for the treatment of schizophrenia. The American Food and Drug Administration. gave Seroquel "approvable" status on August 1. Seroquel is Zeneca's first entry into the antipsychotic market and its introduction is an important step in Zeneca's growth in the treatment of central nervous system disorders.

Baynes buys Mooney

CHARLES BAYNES, the engineering group, has bought, Mooney Process Equipment of America for \$3 million (51.34 million) including debts. An additional payment of up to \$750,000 is payable dependent on the operating income of Mooney up to July 31, 1998. Mooney was established in 1964 and has annual sales of £20 million. Baynes group borrowings now stand at £23 million, representing gearing of 49 per cent. Shares in Charles Baynes rose to to 82 p.

Aromascan grant

AROMASCAN, the electronic equipment group, has been awarded a "significant" grant under the Department of Trade-and Industry and Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council link programme to develop a portable, hand held instrument for the non-destructive detection of fungal infestation in the timber of buildings. It is collaborating with Terminix Peter Cox, part of the Service Master group of the US. A commercial launch is planned for 2000.

Order book healthy

FILTRONIC COMTER, the electronic equipment group. raised pre-tax profits 25 per cent to £41 million in the year to May 31, on sales up 39 per cent to £46.6 million: Earnings rise from 5.59p to 6.52p out of which the total dividend rises from lp to 1.25p. The shares rose from 375p to 394p after the group said that its order book had risen from £24.7 million in May to £37. million now, with orders in Australia and America. Brokers expect pre-tax profits of £9.8 million for the current year.

Zotefoams advances

ZOTEFOAMS, the chemical technology group, raised pre-tax profits 32 per cent to £4 million for the six months to June 30 on sales up 18 per cent to £12.1 million. Earnings rose 36 per cent to 7.6p and the half-year dividend is raised 10 per cent to 2.2p. Bill Fairservice, managing director, said the underlying performance of Zotefoams had being robust and the outlook for volumes remained encouraging. However, he said the current strength of sterling would affect the second half.

Sedgwick in venture

Society buys UCB

mortgage book

By CAROLINE MERRELL

BY GAVIN LUMSDEN

SEDGWICK GROUP, the employee benefits consultancy, is paying EIO million setting up a joint venture with the Nikols Brichetto Group, a leading insurance broker in Italy (Gavin Lumsden writes). The new company. Nikols Sedgwick, will operate in southern Europe and Latin America. Sax Riley, Sedgwick's chair-

man, said that the deal would enhance the group's earnings next year. Letizia Moratti, chairman of Nikols Brichetto. will become executive chairman of Nikols Sedgwick. : . A subsidiary of Securfin, which is owned by the Moratti family, will own 51 per cent of the new company that emerges from the deal.

Barclays staff set to rebel after pay talks collapse

By Robert Miller, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

BARCLAYS Bank faces a campaign of industrial action by thousands of staff after talks over a new performance related pay system broke down.

Unifi, the Barclays staff union, said yesterday that after two and a half hours of discussion over a two-day period Barclays broke off discussion with the staff body and Bifu, the banking, insurance and finance

.Unifi said that Barclays now faces prolonged dis-

unions, who represent more than three quarters of all Bardays staff, take part in

industrial action". The action in question is expected to be a work to rule. withdrawal of co-operation on the implementation of perfor-

request for the dispute over pay and staff grading to be referred to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Ser-

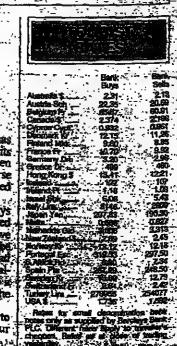
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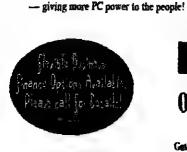
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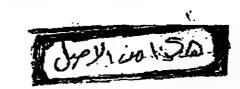
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Temale American executives should blow an air kiss in the direction of Marionia the direction of Marjorie Scarding. The disastrous reign of Ann Iverson at Laura Ashley has been wrecking the reputation of the breed but yesterday the dynamic Mrs Scardino went a long way to restoring the group

Pearson's figures were better than most had expected but more important was what the chief executive had to say about her plans, investors do not have to be American to approve of mother-hood and apple pie, and they relished the commonsense which Mrs Scardino had to offer

Her recognition that stock market value is an important measure was destined to go down well with shareholders. Similarly, her assertion that Pearson has some good busi-nesses which could do even

Coming from a company which not so long ago spent a fortune on buying a rotten business, in Mindscape, and then discovered at Penguin the sort of multi-million black hole more regularly asserted. regularly associated with investment banking, this was comforting news, Spoken with the easy confidence that is Mrs Scardino's style, it was doubly effective.
What is now clear is that there is a change of culture at

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Scardino shows the American way

Dennis Stevenson as chairman and Mrs Scardino as chief executive leaves the double act of Lord Blakenham and Frank Barlow looking as dated as Morecambe and Wise, and far less likely to appeal to a modern audience.

The cerebral Stevenson, whose thoughts on business strategy came accompanied by a very hefty bill when he was running the SRU consultancy, is the perfect partner for Mrs Scardino. an energetic people motivator. Together, they have already wrought tremendous change at Pearson, bringing in new managerial talent to many of the divisions, with more appoint-ments still to come.

Managing creative people is its own challenge and eventually it may be that Pearson has to redefine the role of Greg Dyke, the colourful head of its television business. But television remains, sensibly, a part of Pearson's long term future.

Yet there should be some structural changes to come within the group and by the end of the year it is likely that some of there is a change of culture at of the year it is likely that some of ever rescuing the site, blighted as Pearson. The combination of these will become apparent it has been by the misguided



There is little point in hoisting up for sale signs or spelling out what is on the list of potential acquisitions if you intend to deal at the best price. Mrs Scardino's aim is to build Pearson's presence in those areas where it is already strong, not change the Mrs Iverson would do well to

take note of this philosophy. Conversion on the

road to St Paul's eaven be praised. It seems that there may I soon be positive news about Paternoster Square, the bleak and windswept monstros-ity that abuts St Paul's Cathe-dral Most City folk have almost given up hope of redevelopment

interventions of the Prince of Wales. But the architects are now at work putting the finishing finials to a scheme which they intend to submit to the City planners by the end of the summer.

Mitsubishi, which has already paid far more than it should have for the site, is now keen to move ahead, encouraged not a little by the buoyant property market and demand for large scale office properties. Having abandoned the chocolate box scheme ap-proved of by HRH, it has been

proved of by HRH, it has been working on producing something that might appeal to those who work in the City.

By the end of last month, that design had been paraded for approval by the dignitaries of English Heritage and the Royal lime Art Commission, whose air Fine Art Commission, whose nit picking is now being incor-porated into the scheme. Only the Dean and Chapter of St

Paul's remain to be formally consulted, and after being in such a miserable shadow for so long, the likelihood is that they will not raise any major objections to the proposals for what will be one of the largest projects to go ahead in the Square Mile. Earlier designs had incor-porated a massive 750,000 sq ft of office and retail space and

economics will determine that the latest is not far short of that. Its involvement in Paternoster Square is thought to have cost Mitsubishi at least £200 million so far, and the company is certainly not going to publicly hazard a guess on the redevelopment costs. However, its new plan for six separate office buildings has the advantage of each being able to be put up, and funded, individually.

I do not doubt that grovelling messengers have been running back and forth to Highgrove to try to win Prince Charles's blessing for the new scheme. They should save the petrol money. Paternoster Square is too important a site to be at the mercy of interfering amateur

Sterling becomes a sideshow

Thank goodness, there is still no absolute certainty about the conclusions the Bank of England's monetary policy committee will reveal in time for lunch on Thursday. The betting remains that base rates will reach 7 per cent. The foreign exchanges assume that, even if dealers claim unconvincingly that a month's delay would make no difference to sterling.

The UK conflict between managing consumer demand and destroying exporters in droves is a bit predictable. It is also fast becoming a sideshow. Elsewhere, more dangerous imbalances are building up. The dollar, whose strength until re-cently waxed and waned with the

likelihood of the Federal Reserve raising interest rates, is now bombing ahead even though rates are thought to be on hold. Dollar fans are buying dollar assets, especially government debt driving down longer rates even more to take advantage of supposedly strong but inflation-

free economic growth. Marks and yen are looking ever weaker by contrast. The Bundesbank at least is worried. because the mark is a symbol for the effete euro now expected to mince on to the world stage in 1999. The Buba may have had enough and signal that the markets can raise repo rates.

That is irrelevant to Europe's needs, but the further these trends overshoot, the more likely they are to rebound on us all with a nasty disruptive bang.

Bonus number

FOR A communications director, David Rigg gave a poor performance yesterday as he tried to explain his decision to leave Camelot and the level of salary not normally associated with such a role. He claims to have no job planned, but don't be surprised if he lands up back at De La Rue. It would be a poor show if the shareholders in the Lottery op-erator did not safeguard the careers, and salaries, of those who have taken the flak at Camelot.

Industrial action and strong pound dent BA

BY DOMINE WALSH

THE industrial action that wreaked havoc on thousands of British Airways flights last month will wipe £125 million from the company's profits in the first half of this year.

The bill from the three-day strike by cabin crew and delays in returning services to normal is expected to hits second-quarter profits by £110

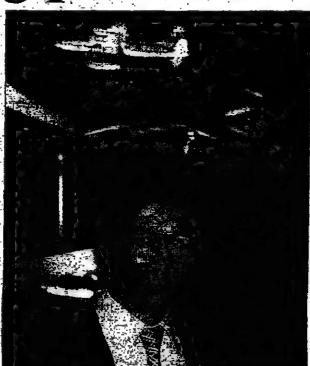
However, the mere threat of action was enough to wipe £15 million from the arrline's firstquarter figures as customers moved bookings to other carriers and BA was forced to instigate contingency plans.

Andrew Murray, spokes

man for the Transport and General Workers Union described the £125 million cost of the strike as "a very costly exercise in industrial rela tions" that had seemmed from BA's refusal to negotiate on changes to working practices.

BA's operating profits in the ESS million to £140 million largely because of a £77 million hit arising from the strength of sterling against such currencies as themark. he franc and the yen.

Bob Ayling, chief executive, said that if the situation per-sisted, the total cost for the



Bob Ayling remains hopeful on BA-American link

year could exceed £200 million. City analysts expressed surprise at the extent of the impact both of sterling and the industrial dispute and shares in BA shed 30p to finish at 610p, a drop of 5 per cent. A

£130 million profit from the sale of the airline's holding in US Airways meant headline pre-tax profits increased 46.7 per cent to £220 million in the first quarter on turnover 5.4 per cent better at £2.22 billion.

Pharmavene, a drug delivery

specialist for which it agreed

to pay up to £104 million.
Dr Stahel said Richwood

was the most attractive of the

200 possible acquisitions sug-

gested by Shire's US advisers. Its 65 salespeople would give

Shire access to 34 per cent of

rapidly because of last year's

launch of Adderall, its hyper-

activity treatment.

Mr Ayling said that he re-mained hopeful that BA's controversial alliance with American Airlines would secure regulatory approval, albeit that this was progressing

"very slowly".

There have been suggestions recently that the European Union will demand that the two airlines give up 350 weekly slots at Heathrow airport as the price for approval, but Mr Ayling said that such a would demand

Sir Colin Marshall, chairman, said that in spite of the difficulties experienced by the airline the outlook remained positive.

He added: "The external environment still generally favours growth in international traffic, with strong economic growth in the UK and the USA accompanied by the start of a recovery in the principal market of continental Europe."

Sir Colin said that the

company was still on track programme that it launched last summer and would deliver at least £200 million of savings in the current year. The aim is to increase savings to £1 billion a year by 2000.

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London cab drivers in line for £3,500

MORE than 1,600 London cab drivers could be in line for a windfall of at least £3.500 each under plans to demutualise Dial-A-Cab, the capital's largest taxi network (Fraser Nelson writes). The company, a friendly society, is seeking members' approval to convert to pic status, from which it plans to join the Alternative Investment Market by next April. It plans to raise about £2 million to install touchpad computer systems for drivers to keep in touch with headquarters. The company said it will not join the market for a valuation of less than E5 million.

Country Casuals spurns suitors to go it alone

By Sarah Cunningham

IN ANOTHER twist in the Country Casuals saga. the designer and retailer of women's clothing yesterday re-vealed that if has spurned all its remaining suitors.

The company, which in June said it had ended takeover talks with Mark Bunce, its former chief executive, said that talks with other potential buvers have also now ended. Another former chief executive, John Shannon, attempted a bid for the company in 1995.

Tom Adam, chairman, refused to name the latest potential buyers, but they are believed to have been other

women's wear retailers. The



Mark Bunce: takeover talks

news that the company is to remain independent sent the shares falling 20p to 1132p. Mark Bunce and his wife

Christina resigned from the board in May when they proposed to buy the company. A formal bid never materialised, and they left the company's employment at the end of June, Mr Adam said. They have both received pay-offs, believed to be less than one

year's salary.
Country Casuals now has only three board members. Andrew Mills-Baker stepped up from finance director to be chief executive, while Mr Adams is non-executive chairman, Ian Peacock is the other non-executive director. First-8 per cent, the company said.

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Shire pays £113m Shares deal lifts Oxford Molecular

By GEORGE SIVELL

SHARES in Oxford Molecular rose 3½p, to 248½p, after the pharmacenticals group announced that an additional £2 million cash had been invested in Cambridge Combinatorial in return for nonredeemable preference shares. Oxford also revealed a reduction in pre-tax losses, from £950,000 to £677,000, in the six months to end June. Losses per share fell from 1.7p to 1.1p. Sales rose 42 per cent to £6.17 million, while research and development spending rose to £2.2 million from £928,000.

Dr Tony Marchington, chief executive of Oxford, said: These results have surpassed our expectations and continue the consistent improvement demonstrated since flotation in 1994."

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for US network

BY PAUL DURMAN

SHIRE Pharmaceuticals, the Andover company that joined the stock market 18 months ago, is making its second large US acquisition this year with Richwood Pharmaceuticals Company for an initial \$185.7

million (El13.3 million).
Rolf Stahel, Shire's chief executive, said Richwood would give the group a US distribution network for its existing drugs. Richwood claims to have a 7 per cent share of the \$450 million market in treating hyperactive children, which is currently

dominated by Medeva and methylphenidate, its drug. The purchase, which will be largely funded by an £88.9 million share issue, follows Shire's earlier acquisition of

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scrutiny

ance market has revealed that its regulatory division is investigating multimillion pound losses arising from Syndicate

the world's healthcare market, up from the existing 4 per cent. Richwood made a pre-tax profit of \$1.7 million last year on sales of \$15.3 million. For the first half of this year, it has made pre-tax profits of at least \$7.5 million on sales of at least \$18 million. Sales are rising

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Syndicate's losses under by Lloyd's

BY GAVIN LUMBDEN

THE Lloyd's of London insur-657 three years ago.

Lloyd's is holding discussions with Archer, the management company behind the syndicate, and several institutional shareholders, including New London Capital, Angerstein and LIMIT. A spokesman said that Lloyd's was concerned to settle the matter quickly and out of court as the case stood out badly in a year in which the long-running conflict with names had begun to be resolved.

The statement came as New London Capital, an investment trust investing in Lloyd's

syndicates, revealed worsethan-expected final results. NLC, the largest investor in the syndicate, said it lost £4.2 million from syndicate 657 in 1994 and was making [23 million of provisions to cover forecast losses in 1995 and 1996. Its reduced pre-tax profits of £6.53 million gave it a return on capital of 6.2 per cent, compared with a sector average return of 8.9 per cent.

In a statement, Bruce Schnitzer, chairman, said the closing of the syndicate's 1993 account had been incorrect. NLC had been exposed to £2.8 million of losses in which it was not involved, he said.

A source close to Archer denied that there was anything wrong with the accounts. The losses came from underwriting of professional indemnity policies. Richard Cole, NLC director.

will resign at the annual meeting as the company investigates its investment in the

HSBC Holdings plc (X)



1997 Interim Results

`	Half-year to	30 June 1997	30 June 1996
	Profit before tax	£2,623m	£2,321m
	Profit attributable to shareholders	£1,757m	£1,586m
	Earnings per share	65.93p	60.14p
	Dividends per share	20.00р	15.00p
	Capital resources	£24,504m	£23,403m
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First half 1997 over first half 1996

- Pre-tax profit up 13% and attributable profit
- Pre-tax profit up 21% and attributable profit up 19% in Hong Kong dollars
- Earnings per share up 10%
- Dividends per share up 33%
- Total capital ratio 14.2% and tier 1 capital ratio 9.4%

Comment by Sir William Purves, **HSBC Group Chairman**

6 I am pleased to report that in the first half of 1997 HSBC Holdings continued to generate a strong return on shareholders' funds, producing attributable profit of £1,757 million, 11 per cent ahead of the comparable figure in 1996, despite the adverse exchange rate translation impact of stronger sterling. Our capital strength enabled us to make major investments while maintaining dividend growth.

"Our Board of Directors has declared a first interim dividend of 20 pence per share, an increase of 33 per cent compared with 15 pence declared in 1996.

"Operating profit rose by 19 per cent to £2,402 million mainly as a result of asset growth in Asia, the United Kingdom and North America which more than compensated for the pressure on lending margins. Credit quality remained high and cost discipline

"We believe that the investments made in the first half of 1997, many of which were explained in our 1996 Annual Report and Accounts, will broaden the Group's platform for growth into the next century.

"The smooth transition of Hong Kong to a Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China at midnight on 30 June was an important milestone. Our confidence remains high in the economic strength of the Hong Kong SAR, in its role as a financial centre and in our position within the Hong Kong financial community.

"I am confident that our committed employees, capital strength, continuing technological development and cost vigilance will enable us to meet the challenges of increasing competition and very rapid changes in our markets and turn these into benefits for our customers and shareholders around the world.

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clear signs that, if the partners are asked to

give up too many Heathrow slots to make the

alliance stack up, they will simply come up

come through strongly



Bid talk renews interest in Reckitt & Colman

Coleman yesterday caught the sort of cold for which its Lemsip common potion might sometimes come in handy.

While the rest of the equity market was on the slide. shares in the household products group were hitting new highs with a rise of 2012p to 98512p as almost one million shares changed hands in a thin market.

Once again the talk is of a possible bid by Unilever, the Anglo-Dutch food and household products group, which is already sitting on a cash pile of £5 billion after the recent sale of its speciality chemicals

Unilever is known to be on the lookout for suitable acqui-sitions and Reckitt would certainly fit the bill with a strong portfolio of household names such as Disprin, Dettol, Mr Sheen and Harpic, Carrying a price tag of just £4 billion. Reckint, which is headed by Alan Dalby, chairman, and Vernon Sankey, chief executive, certainly looks vulnerable to the likes of Unilever, which closed yesterday 17p dearer at £18_3813 where it is valued at £14.9 billion.

Elsewhere, turnover slowed to a trickle with fewer than 600 million shares changing hands - the lowest volume for some months. Investors were in no mood to open fresh positions. They want to see whether the Bank of England pushes up interest rates again this week, for the fourth time in as many months. Also, the holiday season has left empty desks in the Square Mile.

Underpinned by some better than expected trading news, the market was able to claw back early losses that were a hangover from Friday's non-farm payroll numbers. The FTSE 100 index. down 25.3 earlier, closed just 3.6 off at 4.895.7.

There was a warm response to half-year figures at the top end of expectations from HSBC as the price surged 44 2p to a high of £22.38. The increase of one-third in the interim payout also pleased the City, it follows on from a strong performance last week by Lloyds TSB, down 25p at per cent and set the pace for the rest of the bank dividend season. Société Strauss Turnbull and Lehman Brothers have since set a target price for Lloyds of 900p. Elsewhere in

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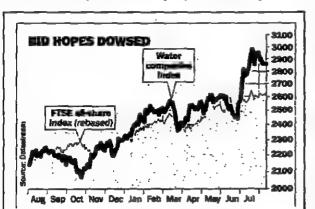


Alan Dalby, left, and Vernon Sankey, of Reckitt & Colman, 20 ap higher, looking vulnerable to the likes of Unilever

the banking sector, there was selective support for NatWest Group, up 1012p to 870p, reporting later today, and Standard Chartered, 812p better at £10.0112, which reports tomorrow.

British Airways fell 30p to 610p as brokers began the task of downgrading their profit estimates for the full year in the wake of first-quarter numbers that failed to live up to expectations. The cabin staff dispute could cost the group up to £125 million in the first six months, while the strong pound will also take a toll.

Some upbeat comments from Marjorie Scardino, chief executive, lifted Pearson 2612p to 69212p. She has set out to double the media group's value during the next



THE water companies were under a cloud, with Anglian dropping 174p to 771 2p, Hyder 11 2p to 841p. Severn Trent 135p to 849p, South West 12½p to 759p. Thames 9p to 776½p. United Utilities 10p to 693 p. Wessex 162p to 4625p, and Yorkshire 7½p to 427½p.

Only last week, Société Générale Strauss Turnbull turned cautious of the sec-James Capel downgraded its recommendation for United Utilities and Wessex to a "sell".

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Yamaichi says there is scope for profit-taking: They have done well in the past few days, what with the outcome on the windfall tax. But last week's referral of PacifiCorp's bid for Energy Group appears to have dowsed takeover hopes among the water and elec-

tricity companies". He says it now seems unlikely that the Governcompanies to bid for each other. "Bids will have to come from outside the sector, or from abroad".

He is still a buyer of

market that heavy investment would depress short-term

Dealers reported heavy turnover in shares of Viglen Technology, the consumer electronics group and all that is left after the restructuring of Amstrad, which opened at 6212p and touched a peak of 6712p before closing at 6412p on the day. It is headed by Alan Sugar, who now has 35 per cent of Viglen but says it is undervalued. He has changed his mind about reducing the holding from 35 per cent to 10

News that it had joined NTL in informal talks that could lead to a merger prompted a rise of 4p to 83p in Telewest, the American cable communications company.

Telewest was floated in London in November 1994, at 182p, but has failed to live up to expectations due to intense

The breakdown in bid talks left Country Casuals 20p lower at 1131 ap. The group now intends to develop its core business.

Speculative buying drove up Plantation & General op to 96p after Friday's 80p a share offer from Rovida, the public vehicle of Nicholas Roditi, regarded as Britain's highest paid businessman. The offer has prompted a boardroom reshuffle.

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GILT-EDGED: Prices drifted in thin trading for much of the day, with investors anxiously awaiting the conclusion of this week's meeting of the Bank of England independent economic com-

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In longs, Treasury 8 per cent 2015 finished E¹¹32 lower at Ell11132, while in shorts Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was five □ NEW YORK: Shares recouped some early losses and technology stocks added to slender gains. By midday the Dow Jones industrial average

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Ayling strategy will not fly Hong Kong: BOB AYLING was always going to find Sir Amsterdam: Colin Marshall a tough act to follow. But having to admit that his handling of the recent. Sydney: industrial unrest has cost the company E125 million must have been especially painful. To 2105-00 (-Z1.50 add insult to injury, the strong pound knocked Frankfurt 4296.94 (-1)1.85) another £77 million off first-quarter profits and the bill for the year as a whole could well reach Singapore £200 million. The problems will lop at least £100 million off this year's pre-tax profit Brussele estimates of around £650 million, fully justifying the 5 per cent share price drop. Parts Of course, it is possible to view Mr Ayling's bull-in-a china-shop behaviour towards his Zurich: London FTSE 100 4695.7 (-3.6) 4685.0 (-3.4) FTSE All-Share Z290A0 (-1.57) HSBC Holdings ancinis — 2287-26 (-14-52) Herrest ———— 125-90 (-0.40) 25 ————— 7.04 (-0.25) SIR William Purves, the straight-talking group chair-man of HSBC Holdings, has 1.6306 (-0.006) always preferred to let ac-RECENT ISSUES Eristo) & West Pri Cammell Laird 117% 115 EMIB Galen Holding 1971 Helicon Pubs 1054 - 2 Hirachi Credit (UK) Ionica Group 365 Y 17512

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words. Hence his terse "no" to a question yesterday on whether he would explain a £51 million fall in equities and other trading profits, due mainly to an underwriting transaction undertaken in Hong Kong. While bid and merger speculation has swirled around the UK banking sector, HSBC's star has shone the brightest. The bank - very much the shark rather than the fish - has outperformed the FT All Share index by 41.6 per cent since the start of the year, After yesterday's 44'2p rise to 2238p, HSBC is worth 70 per + 712 cent more than it was on January l — an astonishing RIGHTS ISSUES - 154

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in last year's prospectus. At the time, expanding through "selective corporate acquisitions" was the fourth of Shire's four reasons for coming to the market. As ever with young drug groups, most of the talk was about

sensible moves, but Shire is moving too fast to allow in-

employees as a calculated gamble in his pursuit of the golden £1 billion efficiency with a watered-down marketing agreement that could still deliver significant benefits.". The shares are unlikely to fly while the programme launched last year - even if he-American deal remains up in the air, but BA's had not gambled on causing a three-day longer-term prospects look solidstrike. Beneath the gory sterling and strike

> and maturity.
> The HSBC diversification programme into less-developed markets -- Chile, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina, with China still to show its full potential - underlines global nature of this hanking group, especially in comparison with its mainly

rise for a business of its scale

bid speculation will evapo-That might allow HSBC to strike out for one of its smaller brethren but it could also hit the bank's market ratings. With rising interest rates on the way, it is hard to believe that HSBC can 'sustain' its recent outperformance. Time to take some profits.

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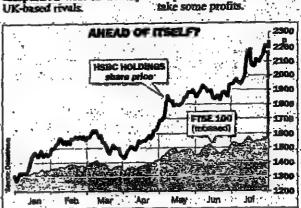
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The acquisitions of Pharmavene and Richwood have Shire's medicine chest, and the Richwood deal gives it access to the US market for

vestors to see what is going on. Although Shire is less risky than the true drug discovery companies, there are already enough uncertainties without a big acquisition every six months. it is not encouraging that

Richwood smokescreen to slip out an announcement that it was dropping one of its development projects. Shire's shares, up 8p to 249 p yesterday, have done well against a miserable biotech backdrop. However, until investors can see more of the benefit of its frenetic activity, the shares are strictly for the brave.

Shire took advantage of the

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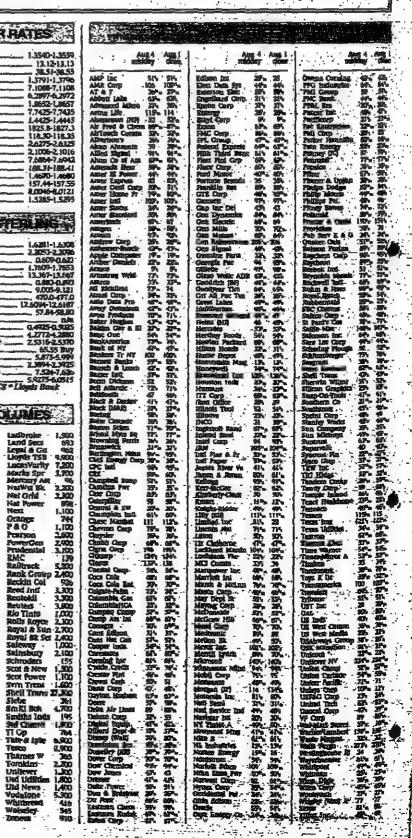
should now flow through. The danger is that the various bids - from ex-chief executives and from others have distracted management to a degree that the core Country Casuals brand-has. been allowed to drift. And although the section of the women's wear market served by Country Casuals may appear relatively genteel, it is actually just as cut-throat as any other part, particularly with Marks & Spencer stealing sales from all sides.

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Western supermarkets chase Eastern promise

The steady stream of Western supermarket groups breaking into South East Asia and China is threatening to turn into a flood. Many of Europe's largest supermarker chains have opened stores there and others are on their

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way. Tesco is the first British chain to start looking to the Par Cast.

Tesco sent Michael Henring is business development energy to Hong Kong last months to took for potential partners in the region. According to Tony MacNeary, food retailing analyst at Native's Markets, governments in the region are trying to push up food hygiene standards by encouraging the spread of supermarkets. This is seen as an open invitation to Everteen as an open invitation to Everteen open invitation to European supermarket groups whose growth pros-pecis at home are restricted by planning laws.

Sarah Cunningham reports on British grocery chains that are aiming for a profitable presence in South East Asian markets

Although in the long term the supermarkets will be a threat to the traditional street markets where most people buy food in Asia, there is a long way to go: supermarkets provide less than 5 per cent of the food sold in South East Asia, compared with about 65 per cent in the UK.

Carrefour, the Prench hypermarket group and one of the most globally-minded food retailers, is in several South East Asian markets as is Makro, the Dutch cash & carry company. Abold, the Dutch supermarket operator; has opened about 70 stores in the past two years in Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Sangapere and Shanghai,

open up in Asia.

In Tesco's case, if Mr Fleming likes what he finds and moves as fast as Ahold did, the first joint venture agreement could be signed within months. Tesco is cagey about its plans but analysts believe it must be looking seriously at entering China rather than concentrating on Hong Kong, which is well served by grocers. Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia. Singapore and the Philippines are also likely to figure in their calculations, while Vietnam could

Another French group. Casinn, is also end up with a Tesco presence. Tesco's strategy is certain to differ from that of Marks & Spencer, which from that of Marks & Spencer, which has opened many stores in Asia but does not sell food in Indonesia. Malaysia and the Philippines, and sells relatively little in Thailand. Singapore and Hong Kong.

Among other foreign operators in the region, Japan's Jusco has a presence but sells mainly to expatriate Japanese. American companies are noticeable by their absence. Of all the companies already there, the one that Tesco is most likely to try to emulate in Asia is

Going by the Ahold experience, Tesco will find that moving into Asia. like moving into Eastern Europe, will mean a long wait for profits. Stewart Brown, director of investor relations at Aisold, said that the company. which opened its first stores in the region at the beginning of last year and expects turnover this year of up to \$700 million, does not expect to break even there until 2000. Ahold is currently working on getting the right format: "Consumers want very fresh food; fresh meat means meat that has been killed that morning.

They also like low-key selling."

Mr MacNeary does not expect

other British grocers to make a push into Asia just yet; Asda and Safeway are probably too small while J Sainsbury is busy in the US. But for Tesco he can see the logic: "It is taking a very long-term view."

Why the days of the high street bank manager are numbered

Virgin's threat to take on the clearers could

alter banking.

Caroline Merrell says

The days of Cantain Mainwaring, the pow-er-crazed self-impostant bank manager star of the hit series Dades Army may well be over. The announcement this week that Richard Branson's Virgin Group intended to any to take on the clearers by offering a bank through its imancial services division. Virgin Direct could be the final nall in the coffin for traditional branch. based retail banking.

Rowan Gormley, Virgin Direct managing director, said the company has lined up \$460 million from Australian Mutual Provident (AMP), its backer, to provide funds for continued expansion - banking services

are under consideration.

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have been put off changing
banks because it is a gest deal of hassle. However, we believe that there is increasing mobility among consumers." Virgin Direct said it could be ready to launch its bank by the end of

With the UK's high street banks announcing record profits this year, thousands of dissatisfied customers must be wondering whether any of the banks billions will be spent on offering bener services, higher savings rates and lower moregage rates. Already the perception of bank customers has changed from the days when they entered the marble halls with awe and considered an appointment with the bank. manager to be an honour. The banks now look like any other high street retail outlet and many bank account holders. have not visited their branch in. years. Customer dissatisfaction is high, according to the Banking Ombudsman, the number of complaints against banks is on the increase, although they are down on their peak in 1992.

Which? the magazine for the Consumers' Association, is also critical of the high street. banks and building societies. According to a recent survey. going overdrawn with one of the top eight banks and building societies by El00 a month for the past five years would



Captain Waniwaring the power-crazed self-important bank manager of Dad's Army, left, with Sergeant Wilson

have cost on average £223. The Bank has already attracted actions are also much cheaper traditional banks, such as Natwest, would have charged a massive £513, while the have been attracted by the high smaller building societies, such as the Weolwich, would have charged about £33.

Customer unhappiness about bank services and open-ing hours has contributed to the success of the new breed of belephone banks such as First Direct, part of Midland, Other recent entrants into the telephone banking arena include the supermarkets, such as Tescos, Safeways and Sainsbury's, and the insurance companies, such as Prudential and Scomen Widows, Stamuland Life is also expected to launch a bank this year. Sainsbury's

350,000 customers with a total of £600 million. The customers rates of interest on offer. The interest on the supermarket bank's instant access account at 6.15 per cent, is nearly double that offered by other banks, where an average balance of £3,000 would pay a rate of 3 per

Telephone banking has already begun to have a big immpact on the numbers of branches. As well as being more convenient for customers, who may find it difficult to find the time to get in to a bank, or who may prefer to handle their banking affairs outside office

ponative 29 per cent rate.

Experts have also discov-

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for the bank to offer. According to Booz Allen & Hamilton, the firm of market consultants, the

The cheapness of telephone banking has contributed to the huge number of branch closures in recent years. Figures from the British Bankers' Association show that over the past ten years the number of bank and building society branches have shrunk by 6,000 from a peak of 21,000, a drop of nearly 30 per cent. Over the past ten years the number of people employed by banks has fallen nearly 10 per cent to 274,000. Analysts believe that this trend

bank account. But it's the cleared balance that your interest charges are made on."

question the 12-point code of

practice drawn up by the

British Bankers' Association

last month to improve the

working relationship between

The Federation of Small

Businesses believes the prob-

lem of overcharging can be solved only by bank manag-

banks and small businesses.

The findings will call into

will continue, especially if new entrants such as Virgin and Sainsbury's are able to offer better savings rates.

The story of Alliance & Leicester retail bank is typical of many of the telephone banks. A&L Giro pioneered telephone banking in the mid-Severnies, with an office of 12 staff in Liverpool. Initially the telephone banking operation was simple, customers who worked unusual office hours, or who did not have the chance to get to bank could phone up to get details of their balance. Now A&L Giro offers a full range of banking services to its 1.6 million customers. An Alliance & Leicester spokesman said that its customers made more

ers building up long-term relationships with customers, and by small companies mak-

ing written interest rate agree-

ments with their banks. David Gold, chief executive of Bankcalc, said: "We estimate that up to one in three small business are being overcharged. It is not unusual for a company to lose between £10,000 and £15,000."

CHRIS AYRES

The cails are manned on a 24hour basis. Many people phone up with basic calls about their finances and then move on to discuss their affairs in more

detail." He said the calls tended

to be grouped towards the end

of the month, as customers

made adjustments to their ac-

counts to ensure that they did

not become overdrawn. Telephone banking moved into the mass market with the launch of First Direct, six years ago. First Direct is part of Midland Bank, whose parent, HSBC Holdings, announced record half-year profits yester-day. First Direct boasts 755,000 customers and is attracting new accounts at a rate of 12,500 a month. A First Direct spokeswoman said two-thirds of its new customers came from the existing banks and building societies and were attracted by the convenience offered by

telephone banking.
First Direct's contribution to Midland's £829 million profit was not disclosed yesterday. However, the bank did admit that it had put more money in to its telephone banking operations by opening up a new call centre in Hamilton, central Scotland. Entering the telephone banking market does come at a price. Analysts believe that First Direct only became profitable for the bank after five years. Sainsbury's Bank, which after all, does not offer overdraft facilities, or personal loans, is expected to

cost about £30 million to set up. Direct Line, which pioneered selling motor insurance over the phone, has had significantly less success with it banking services, as it, like Sainsbury's, does not offer a current account. Instead it is pinning the success of its banking arm on offering high-rated savings accounts - to date it has attracted 53,742 savers. It offers rates of between 5.35 and 6.4 per cent.

The other high street clearers tend to offer telephone banking in addition to their branch service. Lloyds inherited TSB's telephone banking operations when it took over TSB. Lloyds believes that there is a market for both branch and telephone

With so many new players entering the banking market, all of which are willing to throw millions of pounds into the business of banking in order to make an impact, Mr Branson and Virgin Direct's co-backers AMP must be prepared to have very deep pockets if they are to emulate Virgin Direct's success in the selling of personal equity plans to the

BUSINESS LETTERS

The simple message is don't wait for mutuals to disappear

From the Chief Executive, Market Harborough

Building Society Sir, The economic principles of the so-called mutual v plc debate have been well-rehearsed. But the mutuality debate is not simply an esoteric one about economic principles. It's about real people, real jobs, real investment in the community and that gives mutuality a social

and a political dimension. Claims that we live in an amoral age appear to be well founded if my latest experience as chief executive of a small building society is anything to go by. During the last few weeks I have witnessed nearly 1,000 accounts being opened by people seeking to plunder the society's capital accumulated since 1870 by our well-

called carpetbaggers' conversations on the telephone as they openly (and often rudely) state their intentions to gain something for nothing, demonstrates the frightening avarice of one segment of our population.

Perhaps these people don't realise how a small society supports a local infrastructure, employs people, contributes to the local economy by purchasing goods and services locally, funds local community causes and provides a valuable personal service in rural locations larger financial organisations have vacated. Or perhaps they simply don't care. It's up to the building society industry and those who do really care about the self-help ethos to put across the social consequences of the carpetbagging mentality.

We know the economic principles of mutality and we know the social desirability of retaining mutual organisations. But what of the political dimensions? There simply has to be a political will for the economic and social principles of mutality to survive. The background of the current Government is a manifestation of the cooperative spirit and it appears that mutual principles sit well with new Labour's outlook. That's not to say small societies need protection from the normal cut and thrust of competitive enterprise - they can cope readily with that - but what is needed is positive discrimination against those seeking to disenfranchise future generations from the ability to invest and borrow from a local mutual organisation.

So what can be done? The

Building Societies Act 1997. introduced by the last Tory Government, created many welcome freedoms for societies. But there are sanctions that could be suspended or amended which would help. A moratorium suspending conversions may be an anlength of time to qualify for a windfall from two years to five years, or perhaps a re-introduction of deposit accounts to create an alternative to the shareholding number. Whichever of these, (or perhaps more radical solutions I haven't thought off, it doesn't matter. What does matter is that there is a political will to support the principle of mutality and to avert the disastrous social and economic consequences of a substantial reduction in the mutual building society sector.

Political parties of all persuasions agree that competition through a mix of personal financial service providers is desirable. What they -- and the rest of us -must do can be summarised in one simple message. Don't wait for the mutuals

to disappear before you support them. Yours faithfully PHILIP R. DEARING,

Chief Executive, Market Harborough Building Society, Welland House The Square. Market Harborough. Leicestershire.

Sense needed to reverse ruinous rates

From Mr A. Hamer

Sir, Commentary by your City Editor (Business News, July 24), with the heading The Bank that needs to say no", could not be more appropriate.

However, your reporting and tone on this subject needs to be stronger in the hope that both our Gordon and Eddie knock their heads together to produce some common sense interest rates. and, above all, some reversal of the ruinous exchange rate.

Quoting the 25 per cent rise in sterling in a year falls short of the facts. I make my rate increase with Holland

(religiously following DM) 32.31 per cent since April 1996. A drop of virtually one third, not one quarter, in such a short period of time, takes away all hope of talking practical steps to cope. am sure (but not report-

ed) that a huge number of companies and individuals are literally gasping for breath before failing, unless some action is taken quickly to halt the pound's rise.

Yours sincerely, A. HAMER. Castle Lane House, Warwick,

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HIGH STREET banks are

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MARIORIE SCARDINO, chief executive of Pearson, cannot be accused of shirking in the six months since she signed up with the group, whose interests range from Madame Tussaud's to the Financial Times.

in 124 days (not counting weekends), she claims to have endured 852 hours of meetings, travelled to 24 offices in five countries, read 20,000 pieces of paper (she was counting?), written 10,000 pieces of paper, given



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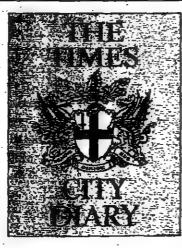
analysis, journalists and staff, and spent "far too much time" with bankers and lawyers.
Scardino has received photographs

from the stall of Pearson's Australian office, been sent baseball caps from an unknown source, and muscled in on a meeting in New York, where she collected a sweatshirt, and "a pair of eyeballs that popped out of my head." Intriguingly, she has laughed about 1,000 times, and "had the urge to cry

What was it that moved her to tears? Could it have been news of the loss of Ray Snoddy, media guru at the FT and soon to join this newspaper? Whatever, unveiling Pearson's results yesterday, she felt moved to cite Snoddy as an example of how Pearson assets could be used across the company, as in Snoddy "online". Tears indeed.

Change of crew

THE slave ship Barclays de Zoete Wedd (BZW) has plucked a couple of castaways from the rat-infested waters of the Thames. Naguib Kheraj, one-time chief financial officer (Europe) for Salomon Brothers, has been made chief administrative of ficer. Nick Kelly, formerly with UBS present.



and JP Morgan, joins as human resources director. Baling out in the nick of time, meanwhile, is Khalid Rahim, who has quit as managing director of corporate finance at BZW after II years with the firm to join Forman Hardy Holdings as chief executive. Rahim advised the Forman Hardy family when it sold the Nottingham Evening Post to the Daily Mail group for £93 million.

Elsewhere, the Titanic-like hulk, NatWest Markets, has shed Nick Riley, former chief administrative of-ficer of global financial markets. Riley is joining Credit Suisse First Boston in London as managing direcfor and head of European Opera-

Off to the wilds

POOR old BG, née British Gas. It had to eat much humble pie several weeks ago when the Monopolies and Mergers Commission backed Clare Spottiswoode's pricing plans. Now, staff in the corporate office, the palatial Adelphi just off the Strand, re-plete with river views, have had to pack their bags and decamp to the wilds of Berkshire.

Hardly in the fast lane, BG's new corporate offices are now in Thames Valley Park Drive. But not all of BG's staff will making the drive westwards. Richard Giordano, whose contract entitles him to an office and secretary after his retirement, will remain London based. He, along with chief executive David Varney and deputy chairman Philip Rogerson, will move to an altogether more downtown location in offices in Jermyn Street, Piccadilly.

Although the trio will also have offices in the Reading outpost they will spend most of their time in London with a small pocket of other staff.

■ COMPETITION between Tory and Labour MPs to be the first with a "paperless" office has proved a boon for Ted Clark, head of DPA-Egami, the OFEX-listed developer of electronic document management sustems. A mailshot to the House of Commons has already snared two

victims - Sir Paul Beresford, Conservative MP for Mole Valley in Surrey, and George Turner, Labour MP for Norfolk North West.

Sir Paul, a favourite of Baroness Thatcher in his days as leader of Wandsworth Council in southwest London, needs the system to cope with the 17,000 letters he receives each year from his constituents. Dr Turner has greater ambitions. Former head of electronics at the University of East Anglia, he sees the system as a first step towards a "paperless" Parliament.

JON ASHWORTH



Richard Giordano is moving to an altogether more downtown location in Jermyn Street

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property n. Brit. 1 leaf tea served from a silver pot (usu. Earl Grey, English Breakfast etc.) 2 something owned; a possession, esp. real estate.

leasehold n. & adj. 1 judo grip in which an opponent is partly restrained (half lease) or completely restrained (full lease) 2 the holding

tenants n. 1 mythical insects reputed to have the strength of several men 2a gathering of your uncles' wives (best avoided) 3 persons holding real property by private ownership.

key money n. 1 the cost of harbouring one's yacht 2 expenses incurred in changing locks (usu. after burglary) 3 premium paid by an incoming tenant for premises.

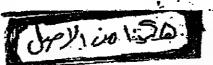
estate n. 1 large four wheeled container for children, dogs, green wellies etc (usu. Volvo, Merc etc) 2 person's collective assets and liabilities 3 landed property.

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A brush with fate in the North

Veronica Heath meets a couple who

turned a disaster into a winner

im Wells, a Connecticut marine artist, won acclaim 12 years ago when he staged a one-man show in New York. He and his wife, Hilary, were at that time living temporarily in Hampshire, but encouraged by this success, they decided to sell up and return to America. The pound plummeted against the dollar and devalued their savings just as they

were due to leave. "What seemed to us disaster at the time turned out to be fortu-itous," said Tim, "It changed our lives. We decided to look north, where property might be cheaper, for somewhere to live."

They bought a derelict vicarage in a Northumberland village and launched weekend and five-day painting holidays for beginners to accomplished arrists. From spring until late autumn, their courses are now fully booked and, for the past five years, they have been taking small groups to Europe in their minibus for painting weeks during late summer and early autumn.

Mrs Wells is an accomplished cook and trained in hotel management before she married Tim. Their vicarage is a Grade II listed building with an acre of garden that is a painter's paradise. "Our guests come on our courses as a form of escapism." she said. "They appreciate the lack of distractions which you get in your own home when you are trying to paint. All meals are provided. We take them to different locations in Northumberland to paint every day and we have a wide choice of beautiful scenarios - Hadrian's Wall country, Bamburgh Castle, Lindisfarne and the Cheviots, as well as picturesque villages. The week is a shared experience and many of our sudents return year after year."

The idea of running painting holiday courses grew from a visit by a local art group soon after Mr and Mrs Wells moved to Northumberland. "They seemed to enjoy the creative experience we generated and the idea for our joint business grew from then." Mrs Wells said.

ourses began at the vicarage when it became too big for their own needs because their two daughters were growing up and would soon leave home. "We restored the house and knew that we had to put it to some use and find employment for our-selves," Mrs Wells said. "We turned one room into a studio for Tim and welcomed our first paint-

ers. They loved it."
Mr Wells specialises in watercolour landscapes, but teaches in all media - watercolour, oils, pastels and acrylics. Absolutely everything is provided for the artists - chairs. easels, art materials and transport. "All the paraphenalia," he said. "All they have to bring with them is enthusiasm. Our painting holidays



have also generated business for the locals in this village because when the house is full we farm couples out at bed and breakfast places within walking distance of our house. They spend the days and the evenings here with us. Sometimes we have couples with a non-painting partner. That isn't a problem because he or she can go off walking or visiting places of interest in the county."

Over the years. Mr Wells says, the painting venues have changed. We don't paint on historic house premises as much as we used to do." he said. "Entrance costs have risen steeply and I don't like passing this on to our guests. I won't take anyone to paint a landscape unless I have done it

myself beforehand." The business has been so successful that Hilary Wells now edits and publishes the Painting Holiday Directory. This is updated every year and sells world-wide. "Painting holidays come in all shapes and sizes and there are courses to suit all tastes," she said. "I originally approached 200 people running painting courses

with the idea of the directory and got replies from 80. Each contributed £50 and the venture took off."

Mrs Wells includes only the best in the directory. "I check each one carefully every year," she says. "If the tutor refers to his students as clients or punters instead of guests or painters, I'm on my guard. The attitude of the tutor/pupil relationship is so important. The ambience on a painting holiday counts almost as much as the skilled tuition."

Northumberland Painting

☐ Programme for Business, part of the Government's Information Society initiative, plans to open 90 local support centres around the

support centres that were originally planned. The centres give practical advice and hands-on experience with new technologies.

☐ Tessa Graham, a partner in Baker Tilly, the London accountancy firm, has become the only private-sector member of the Government's Access Business project. The project has been set up to coordinate regulatory information from local authorities and White-

EU initiative to stimulate the use of technology

By IOLA SMITH

INFORMATION-RELATED businesses have created 80 per cent of the new jobs that have emerged in the European Union over the past five years. However, accordng to the Federation of Small Businesses, up to 60 per cent of firms employing fewer than 50 staff lack access to a computer.

To get across to those businesses the message that technological awareness aids competitiveness, the European Union is establishing 22 regional demonstration

programmes throughout the EU.
The first, Wales Information
Society, has been launched in the Principality. Its first big project is taking place in a rural area, with Powys County Council providing 140 computers in village halls and libraries. Small businesses will be able to use them to gain information about support services such as Business Connect and export assorigitions

Each computer will be connected to the nearest jobcentre, linking job-seekers with businesses that

want staff. Another priority is extending telecottages. Forty operate in rural Wales, offering access to computers, fax machines and photocopiers. Fees for business users are

low, about £1 an hour, Some

eciccoltages, such as the Talgarth centre in Powys, offer additional features, including video conferencing. This has put one small business in touch with customers in the US.

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The Information Society project is to extend telecottages to urban areas, such as the South Wales valleys. As well as serving existing businesses, emphasis here will be placed on teaching computing skills to the unemployed so that they can get a job or establish a technology-related businesse. technology-related business.

The BU is investing £500,000

over 20 months in the Welsh project. David Rowe-Beddoe, the Welsh Development Agency chairman, who launched the project with Ron Davies, Secretary of State for Wales, is sure that Wales will gain from the information revolution. "Disadvantages of ge-ography that, historically, may have hampered progress will disappear," Mr Rowe-Beddoe said.
"Distance will be no drawback to

economic performance." In the next 20 months, a further 21 European regions, including the North of England and Yorkshire and Humberside, will develop plans to promote technology. Best practice from the 22 regions will form an EU technology blueprint.

DEAN D'EYE, the founder of Kered Contracting, who employed his bank manager when the man was made redundant, is this year's winner of the Prince Philip Medal. This is awarded to people who



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begin their careers with City & Guilds qualifications and achieve a high profile.

Mr D'Eye, who left school at 16 and gained a City & Guilds carpentry and joinery certificate and a supplementary certificate in construction crafts before starting his south London company, re-ceived the medal from the Duke of Edinburgh. At 31, he is the award's voungest recipient.

☐ Companies with fewer than 250 employees in creative fields, including publishing, software, filmng, music and design, have been invited to apply for awards. backed by the Government, which will help them to turn their ideas

into products. The Information Society Creativity Awards, part of the Department of Trade and Industry's Information Society initiative. are being offered for the second year and have private-sector sponsorship. The names of shortlisted companies will be announced in February and the award-winners in March. Details:

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☐ The Development Board for Rural Wales created or safe-guarded 1,500 jobs in the Welsh countryside during 1996-97, according to the board's annual

It stimulated E29.3 million of private-sector investment and completed the biggest factory construction programme for ten years. Factory sales produced £6 million of income, and more

than 60 per cent of the factories built by the board are now owned by local businesses.

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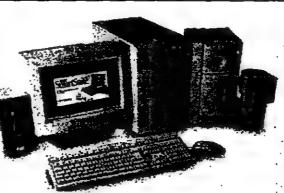
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Secretary of State for Trade subsequently) and, (b) that his and industry v. labble and conduct as a director of that Others

Before Lord Justice Strughton, Lord Justice Millett and Lord Justice Judge 💌 - 👙 (Judgment July 22)

It was not appropriate in company director disqualification proceed-ings to which neither the company, bank nor administrative retriver was a party to hold an investigation into the validity of a debenture and guarantee years after the receiver had been appointed and

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the company wound up.

The Court of Appeal so held in allowing an appeal brought by Harbhajan S. Jabble, Jagjit S. Jabble, Makhan S. Jabble and Surinder S. Jabble, the four former directors of McIvor Spirits Ltd. against the decision of Sir John Knox sitting as a judge of the Chancery Division on January 24, 1907 when he held that the appointment of the administrative receiver

was valid.
Section 6 of the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986

vides: The court shall make a disqualification order against a per-sun...(a) that he is or has been a director of a company which has ar-any time become insolvent (whether while he was a director or

company feither taken alone or taken together with his conduct as a director of any other company or companies) makes him unfit to be concerned in the management of a

company." Mr Richard Perkoff for the former directors; Mr Guy Newey for the secretary of state.

- LORD JUSTICE MILLETT said that on December 17, 1991 Mervor Spirits Ltd executed a floating charge in favour of Hill Samuel Bank. On December 30, McIvor executed a guarantee.

On February 2, 1992 the bank called in the guarantee and when it was not honoured appointed an administrative receiver. The receivership was completed on January 18, 1993 and McIvor was struck off the register of companies on March 22, 1994.

On February 9, 1994, the sec-retary of state issued an originat-ing summons under section 6 of the 1986 Act seeking to disqualify the four directors of McIvor who were the appellants in the Court of

proceedings were issued. Mcivor, its parent company labro, and two associated companies were all in years since Jahro and the two other companies had gone into receivership but less than two years since the appointment of the administrative receiver of McIvor.

The appointment of an adv istrative receiver had the effect of treating the company as insolvent for the purposes of sections 5 and 6 of the 1986 Act and founded the jurisdiction of the court to disqualify the directors and commenced the two-year period in which to disqualify.

It might have been thought that the appointment of an administrative receiver was the end of the matter, but the four directors claimed that the debenture and guarantee were conditional upon the provision of a collective overdraft facility to the Jabro group. They argued that that condition had not been satisfied and the appointment of the administrative

receiver was accordingly invalid.

The directors issued a summons in the disqualification proceedings for the determination as to whether the appointment of a receiver was valid or not. Mr Registrar Buckley ordered that to be tried as a preliminary issue. Sir The former directors appealed.

Their Lordships were accordthe validity of a debenture and guarantee in proceedings to which neither the company, bank or administrative receiver was a

In his Lordship's judgment the proceedings were completely misonceived. It was now more than five years since the appointment of the receiver which McIvor had not challenged at the time.

The receivership was long since spent and the assets all distributed. The directors never took any steps to replace themselves or procure proceedings to challenge the appointment of the administrative

In his Lordship's judgment, the preliminary issue should not have ed. The proper course would have been to stay or adjourn the disqualification proceedings to allow the company in question to bring proceedings against the debenoure holoes.

It was now four years between the appointment of the receiver and the application to court, it was court would now intervene.

Lord Justice Judge agreed and Lord Justice Staughton delivered a concurring judgment.

No obligation to hold inquiry

Regina v Secretary of State for the Environment and Another. Ex parte O'Keefe

and Another Before Lord Justice Hirst, Lord Justice Mummery and Sir Ralph

[Judgment July 29] The Secretary of State for the Environment was under no obliga-tion to continue to hold a local inquiry into a disputed right of way when the only objection to it

had been withdrawn. Survey cards collected by the local authority could constitute a statement" under section 27(4) of the National Parks and Acress to the Countryside Act 1949, which did not require the statement to be any particular form or to be physically attached to the defin-itive map of rights of way drawn

up the local authority.

The local authority's rights of way subcommittee was the appro-priate body to consider the application of the Highways Act 1980 and the Wildlife and Countryside Act

the wilding and Countrystoe Act 1981 to the evidence for the exis-tence of the claimed right of way. The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by Anna Maria O'Keefe and Michael John Cameron O'Keefe against the dismissal by Mr Justice Pill on June 34, 1994 of their application for an order that the confirmation by the Secretary of State for the Environment on July 3, 1992 of the Windmill Wood, Chale, Isle of Wight Modification Order No I 1991 made by the second respon-dent, the Isle of Wight County

Mr O'Keefe in person; Mr Nigel Pleming, QC, for the secretary of state; Mr David Braham, QC, for Isle of Wight County Council.

Council, be guashed.

LORD JUSTICE MUMMERY said the challenge to the order involved the construction and application of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and the Highways Act 1980 to a long-running and hard-fought dispute about a claimed public footpath.

The footpath had already been the subject of a successful application for judicial review before Mr Justice Macoherson of Cluny on February 16, 1989, who quashed an earlier modification made by the council: R v Isle of Wight County Council, Ex parte O'Keefe ((1989) 59 P & CR 283). Mrs O'Keefe had bought

acres of land near Chale in 1986 and she and her husband had resisted attempts to include a disputed public footpath in the definitive map and statement prepared by the council under section 32 of the 1949 Act. The order they

Regina v Hurley

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down by the Court of Appeal.

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evidence and concluded that there was sufficient evidence of use by the public over a 20-year period ununterrupted and as of right, that the character of the way was appropriate to public use and that there was no evidence that the

owners had no intention during the 20 year period to dedicate it. The O'keeles had objected to the modification order and had also applied for judicial review. The Court was precluded by R v Cornwall County Council, Ex parte Huntingdon (The Times March 5, 1992) from entertaining their application for review untithe order had been confirmed, so the O'Keeles withdrew their objection, the planned local inquiry did not go ahead and the secretary of state's inspector con-

firmed the order. The relevant provisions of the 1990 Act had been intended to avoid tiresome and expensive latigation over disputed rights of way, and empowered authorities to keep definitive maps and statements as a permanen up-to-date and conclusive record of

The court's only function was to

challenge to the validity of the

order. udice to the O'Keeles in the decision not to hold a local inquiry, since they had expressly with drawn their objection, which was the only objection, so that the order could be confirmed. That had not prevented them pursuing their challenge to the council's decision-

making process.

Mr O'Keefe had contended that the county council had wrongly left it to district and parish councils to survey footpaths and had wrongly treated the survey cards as the end result, so that there was no complying with the requirements

of the legislation. Mr Justice Pill had held that a statement" was in existence, even though the survey cards were not physically annexed to the map. In his Lordship's judgment that was correct. The cards were a statement for the purposes of the legislation and with the map constituted substantial compliance with the standary requirements.

what he had called administrative

He had claimed that the council had no power to create a public fortpath across his wife's land without a prior judicial determination of the facts and the law. The council could only record

existing rights of way and had no power to adjudicate on disputed property rights, he said. Disputed new rights could not be created by administrative actions of a recording authority.

Those arguments were contrary to the object of the legislation and misinterpreted the scheme and context of the statutory procedure for attaining that object. The subcommittee had addressed itself to the relevant issue, whether the 20 years was in the honest belief in a legal right to use it as a public

There was ample material to support the view that the user was reable, open, not by permission and as of right.

Lord Justice Hirst and Sir Ralph Gibson agreed.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor: Sharpe Prischard for Mr F. R Hetherington, Newport, Isle of

Golf club steward self-employed for tax

McManus (John) v Griffiths contract between the parties as (Inspector of Taxes) McManus (Diane) v Same

Before Mr Justice Lightman Judgment July [8] The profits earned by a taxpayer from providing catering services at a golf club under the terms of a contract that was expressed as a contract of employment were chargeable to income tax under

Case I of Schedule D and not under Schedule E. Mr Justice Lightman so held in a reserved judgment in the Chan-cery Division dismissing appeals by the taxpayers, John and Diane McManus, from the determination of Peterborough general commissioners upholding ass ments on them under Case I of Schedule D for the years from

1980/81 to 1991/2. Mr Stephen Silman for the

MR -JUSTICE LIGHTMAN said the novel issue of law raised was whether the profits earned by Mrs McManus from carrying on the catering business at Burghley Park Golf Chab fell within the contended. Schedule E. She and her husband were described in the being employed as sieward and. Siewardess of the club.

She was responsible for all the food its purchase and preparation. and for engaging and paying any staff required to belp her. The club provided her with all necessary

. The contract described uself as a for providing catering and for the proceeds of all money received

Schedule D imposed a charge to tax on profits arising or accruing to any person from any trade. Sched-ule E imposed a charge on the emoluments of an office or employ-ment. There were substantial traation consequences depending on whether an item of income fell

Mrs McManus was carrying on the catering business on her own account. The position was not affected by the fact that the club provided the premises, equipment and services necessary for her to

vided the catering services as an employee of the club, the profits had to be assessable under Sched-

contract of employment, it made Mrs McManus alone responsible therefrom. It provided for termina-tion of the contractual relationship on three months notice by either

within one or the other.

participation in the profits of the business or even a right to know

what they were. Unless it could be shown that Mrs McManus pro-

She contended that she was employed under a contract of employment, that the carrying on of the catering business was pursu-ant to an obligation imposed on her as an employee by that contract and accordingly the prof-its, indeed the gross receipts, of the

ituted an emolyment from that employment. The question depended solely on the construction of the contractual documents viewed in the matrix of facts in which they were signed. Accordingly, it was a question of

law; not, as the Crown contended,

one of mixed fact and law. The contractual documents had not been professionally drafted. The importance of whether Mrs McManus was an employee or self-employed, most particularly for PAYE and VAT purposes, had not been appreciated by the

There were some indicia in favour of holding her to be an employee: the provisions regulating her vacations and the fact that the club provided the premises, equipment and services. The lan-

On the other hand, the indicta in favour of holding Mrs McManus to be self-employed appeared overwhelming. She was in business on her own account; not subject to the control of the club in respect of the ments or prices or how the business was to be conducted, and she had a free

hand in the employment of staff. In short she was her own boss. The scenario painted by the contractual documents was scarcely compatible with that of an employer/employee relationship. She had, in effect, a extering ancession at the cittle

It was totally unreal to treat the profits as an emolument of her employment. Her employment gave her the opportunity and indeed required her to trade on her own account, and accordingly was the cause sine que non of her earning the profits made. But the profits were the profits of

her trading. Trading and not employment was the causa causans of the receipts. Accordingly they fell within Schedule D and were not an emolument of her

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Injunctive orders improper when defining contact

In re D (a Minor) (Contact orders: Conditions) Before Sir Stephen Brown, President and Lord Justice Saville

Budgment July 101 When making an order for defined contact between a child and a parent it was outside the power of the county court and wholly inappropriate to use section 11(7) of orders in the manner of injunc-tions which related more to the protection of the mother from perceived harassment than to the management of the contact. In family proceedings any such orders were more properly made by the High Court in the exercise of its

inherent furisdiction. The Court of Appeal so held when allowing an appeal, in part, by the father against the decision of Judge Hunter dated July 15, 1996 at Wandsworth County Court when he ordered, inter alia, that the father should have contact with the child under section 8 of the 198 Act subject to conditions imposed under section 11(7) with a penal

Mr Patrick Roche for the father;

THE PRESIDENT said that

However, the relationship between the parents, who had never been married, was strained and there had been an unprecedented number of court proceedings during a long and acrimonious history.

The judge was clearly anxious to protect the mother from what he had found to be a vindictive campaign by the lather and when contact he also made 11 injunctiontype orders under section It(7) of the 1989 Act.

Those ranged, inter alia, from prohibiting the father from removing the child or attempting to obtain a passport for her to forbidding him to molest the mother or her relatives, from entering or damaging certain premises belonging to those rel-atives, from corresponding with the mother's employers, and from starting any private prosecution

While conceding that the first two examples might by extension be considered properly related to contact, the father contended that the others were connected to the mother's nerceived need for protection and were more readily characterised as injunctions relating to proceedings for trespass.

assault or domestic violence and

His Lordship said that great trying to impose injunctive-type conditions under section H(7) of the 1989 Act; it was doubtful that orders designed to protect and reassure a mother and carrying a risk of committal to prison for breach could be made under that

In family proceedings such or ders were more properly made by the High Court in the exercise of its inherent jurisdiction. It was wholly nappropriate and outside the ge's powers to impose them as

On that basis the case should be transferred to the High Court for the review hearing; meanwhile the appeal would be allowed in respect designed to alloviate the mother's anxieties hus which had no direct aring on the impleme the contact order.

The conditions which the father bearing on contact, or which were designed to keep the parties themseives apart, should stand.

Lord Justice Saville agreed. Solicitors: Hay & Co; Bates.

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giving the judgment of the court, said that their Lordships had been in their Lordships jud

The Court of Appeal had expressly declined to do that in R v Aranguren (The Times June 28, 1994; (1995) to Cr App R (5) 211, 210) but had revised previous sentencing for unlawful importation of Guidelines for sentencing in cases of possession of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) were laid The court was giving judgment in an appeal against sentence of 14 heroin and cocaine so as to relate the level of sentencing to the quantity of the drugs at 100 per years imprisonment imposed at Southwark Crown Court by Judge

Their Lordships proposed to accede to the invitation to give some guidance in the present appeal. It was not for their Lord-

thios to draw distinctions between

inch squares or dosage units the sentence should in the ordinary case be 10 years plus. For 250,000

or more dosage units the sentence should ordinarily be 14 years plus. in each case their Lordships assumed that the docage unit was of approximately 50 micrograms content pure LSD. Adjustment might be needed when it was shown to vary significantly from

Where the seizure was of tablets or crystals in a form which enabled a precise weight to be ascertained readily and easily there should be

Sentencing guidelines in LSD cases In their Lordships' judgment, in number of 50 microgram doses.
Their Lordships wished to make clear that the guidance was not a straitjacket. They appreciated that cases might arise where for good reason the sentencing level could vary appropriately. Sentences had to retain a measure of flexibility to

do justice in individual cases. Had the appellant fought the case the appropriate sentence would have been 12 or 13 years. As it was a plea of gullty the proper and accordingly the appeal would be allowed, the 14-year sentence quashed and (t) years substituted. Solicitors: CPS, London.

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LSD had been used for the 319 sheets and the average LSD con-tent of the squares was 31 Mr Rudi Fortson, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Miss Louise Kamill for the Crown.

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE. When oral admission is disputed

Thongjai v The Queen Lee Chun-kong v The Queen While the statements considered by the Judicial Committee in Ajodha v The State ([1982] AC 204) were written statements, the prin-ciple stated therein applied also to

oral admissions.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council (Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Nolan, Lord Steyn, Lord Hope of Craighead and Lord Hutton) so stated on June 23 in allowing appeals by the appellants, Thakoen Gwitsa Thaporn from the dismissal by the Court of Appeal of Hong Kong of their applications for leave to appeal against their respective convictions of murder and trafficking in a

LORD HUTTON said that where the prosecution alleged that the defendant made an oral admission, and the case was raised on behalf of the defendant that he did not make the oral admission and that he was ill-treated by the police before or at the time of the alleged admission, two issues were raised which were not mutually

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dangerous drug.

judge to decide, was whether, on the assumption that the alleged oral admission was made, it was inadmissible as being involuntary. The second, which was for the fire second, which was for the jury to decide if the judge ruled that the alleged admission was admissible in evidence, was whether the admission was in fact

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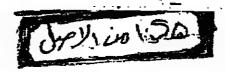
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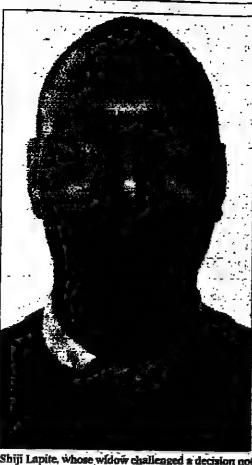


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Shiji Lapite, whose widow challenged a decision not to prosecute two Metropolitan Police officers: Barbara Mills, QC, and Derek Treadaway, who won on appeal

Open a door for justice

cedures for bringing criminal prosecutions against police officers were exposed in the Divisional Court last month. A few days later, an embarrassed Director of Public Prosecutions. Dame Barbara Mills, arrnounced there would be an urgent inquiry into the plaints by CPS Central Case-

evening. Dame Barbara prevaricated when asked, after the death of Richard O'Brien in custody, whether she was responsible for decisions not to prosecute police officers, then responded by pondering the difference between a decision

Last week the DPP was or Each institution has a high dered to reconsider her decir, decreasof automorpy and rarely sion not to prosecute police has evidence been available to officers in a case involving at a support litigation. legations of a forced confession. Derek Treadaway, who review heard at the Divisional spent nine years in jail for robbery and conspiracy to rob before being cleared on appeal, cute police officers after findhas always maintained that he." was forced to sign a confession through violence. In a civil action for assault, he won damages, but the DPP decided. against prosecution.

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It is crucial to remember that decisions on prosecutions of police officers are the sole responsibility of the DPP and that those decisions, when they concern possible criminal proceedings, are made at the final stage of the police com-plaints process. And in the event of a decision not to prosecute, the Police Complaints: Authority (PCA) has ultimate responsibility for bringing disciplinary charges against

Home Office figures show that in 1995-96 45 police offi-cers in England and Wales

The DPP rethinking decisions, talk of urgent inquiries ... Graham Smith looks at the CPS and the police

were convicted of criminal offences and 410 were disciplined. But only a fraction of these totals originated in complaints by members of the public. A total of 35,521 complaints was recorded in the same year, of which 749 were substantiated, Criminal pro-Interviewed by the BBC that - ceedings were brought in ten cases and disciplinary charges in a total of 162, of which 117

Though the apparent bias in police complaints findings has attracted public criticism, challenging the decisions of the police, DPP and PCA in the and the approval of a decision. courts has proved difficult.

> The applications for judicial Court were exceptional in that the DPP decided not to proseings in non-criminal courts that supported the allegations against them. These failures provided an opportunity for a legal challenge to the DPP. Alison O'Brien sought to re-

view the DPP's decision not to prosecute five Metropolitan Police officers for manslaughter after the death of Richard, her husband. Olamide Jones, the widow of Shill Lapite, challenged a similar decision, together with the failure of the PCA to insist that the two Met officers involved in her husband's arrest face disciplinary charges. Juries in the inquests into the deaths of Mr O'Brien

and Mr Lapite had returned verdicts of unlawful killing. Mr Treadaway sought to review the DPP's decision not to prosecute four West Mid-

lands Serious Crime Squad officers for assault and for attempting to pervert the course of justice after a High Court judge had awarded him

damages for assault. These applications served as a catalyst, culminating in the exposure of apparent maladministration in CPS Central Casework. The PCA was the first to recognise the error of its ways. By letter and affidavit before the hearing, the PCA acknowledged that it had allowed itself to be persuaded



O'Brien: unlawfully killed, said jury

against recommending disci-plinary charges in the Lapite case for reasons that were subsequently found to be

Soon after, Dame Barbara admitted to an error in law and a failure to consider properly the evidence with regard to her conclusion that Mr. Lapite's death may have been accidental.

The DPP's attempt to defend her decision not to prosecute the officers involved in Mr O'Brien's arrest collapsed on the second day of the hearing. She conceded the case under

The broader concerns of CPS management and efficiency will be addressed by a government review, due to report to the Attorney-General at the end of the year. the weight of contradictory documentary evidence that

The British tradition

of policing upholds that a police officer is subject to the rule of law the same as any other citizen. If a member of the public had behaved in the same way as the officers who arrested Lapite and O'Brien, that person would have been the subject of a criminal investigation within hours, charged within days and appeared before a public court within a year.

For police officers, the same decisions are made behind closed doors by police officers in the first instance. and then, in the CPS, by whom we know not.

research at University College London into legal remedies to

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Hong Kong fails a test of statehood

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hen a Hong Kong corporation sued two New York corporations recently in a New York federal court, the available to a Chinese corporation organised court had to consider whether Hong Kong was a "state" for the purpose of American law. It held that it was not, and dismissed the case, and the dismissal was affirmed by the court of appeals in a two-to-one decision. English law would have permitted the suit in an English court, assuming that jurisdictional requirements were satisfied.

Federal courts in America are courts of

limited jurisdiction. Normally, cases may be brought there only when there is a claim arising under federal law. Another possibility is an action between "citizens of a state off the United States] and citizens or subjects of a foreign state". This is referred to as "alienage iurisdiction".

For jurisdictional purposes, a corporation is a "citizen" or "subject" of the governmental entity under whose sovereignty it is created.

Thus, the plaintiff Hong Kong corporation, Matimak Trading Co. based federal alienage jurisdiction on the claim that it was a citizen of Hong Kong. This triggered the judicial inquiry as to whether Hong Kong was a state, so that the claim could go forward, or whether Matimak was "stateless", so that the suit had to be

Since the case was brought in August 1995, the American court analysed the legal status of Hong Kong as a British Crown Colony and not as it is now, a special administrative region of China. Matimak, the court reasoned, was incorpo-

rated under Hong Kong law and was entitled to the protections of that law only, even though the Hong Kong Companies Ordi-nance "may be ultimately traceable" to the British Crown.

In 1984, China agreed to maintain laws previously in force in Hong Kong. The effect of this "status quo" treaty presents an abiding problem for Hong Kong corporations seeking access to federal courts in the United States. China has a corporation law, effective on July 1994, that was modelled on the English Companies Act. Under the 1984 treaty, however. Hong Kong corporations such as Matimak will continue to be governed by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance enacted under British rule rather than the Chinese corporation law, even though their corporate existence may be "ultimately traceable" to the People's Republic of China, a recognised sovereign international entity. Because a corporation is a creature of the State, the notion of a stateless corporation would seem oxymoronic. Yet, in the Matimak court's view, Hong Kong cor-

porations are - like persons without a

available to a Chinese corporation organised and doing business in Beijing, but not to a Hong Kong corporation, and this applies both before and after the July I reversion.

The rationale of the decision is at odds with the position of the American Government. The United States has always recognised Hong Kong as a separate force in world affairs. American immigration laws accord special foreign State quota status to Hong Kong residents. In economics and trade, Hong Kong is recognised by Act of Congress as a separate legal entity. Its trade with the United States during November 1996 exceeded \$23 billion (about £14.5 billion) and direct United States investment totalled almost \$12

It is a contracting party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and thereby accorded most favoured nation status. It is a

founding member of the World Trade Organisation and has acceded to the Paris Convention on industrial property, and the Berne, Geneva and Paris copyright conventions. American courts, moreover, have held other British Dependent Territories to be foreign States for the purpose of alienage jurisdiction.

The court's decision emphasised that the United States had never recognised Hong Kong as a free and independent sovereign and is not about to do so. This is undeniably true. The purpose of alienage jurisdiction is to avoid offence to foreign na-

tions because of the possible appearance of judicial inhospitality to their citizens. There is also the American interest in assuring that American citizens will, by the same token, obtain access to foreign courts. But these considerations would not appear to apply where the foreign "nation" is not deemed a "sovereign", and there is no threat of entanglement with a foreign power.

The dissenting judge in the Matimak case observed that "Hong Kong is a unique and critical component in the scheme of international policies and global economic expansion". The reversion of Hong Kong to China under an international agreement to have "one country, two systems" is unique in world history. If Hong Kong is to continue as a separate international trading partner distinct from the mainland, its corporations ought to have access to the courts of other countries, just as Chinese corporations have that access. The historical reason for Hong Kong's peculiar status in the world should justify some judicial flexibility.

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trainees in high-street firms were paid below the minimum salary of £12,150 for central London and £10,850 for elsewhere. Two thirds of students were in debt to the tune of about £7,000.

Rules of the game A NEW GUIDE to the laws on prostitution and the sex industry has been produced by Release, the national legal and drug advice service. Sex Work-



Briefs on the ball

THE white collar crime specialist Peters & Peters caught its arch-rival, team beat theirs by two to one. Jonathan Tickner, of Peters & Peters, says: "We came from a goal behind to take the match." Keith Oliver, partner and oldest member of the P & P team, surpassed his tri-umph as lead adviser to Kevin Maxwell by scoring one ers and the Law, by Penny Cotton, is a comprehensive guide complete with useful contact numbers. As the guide points out,

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A figure for the number of

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Fewer than 9,000 police com-

plaints investigations were

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officers are required only to

forward reports to the DPP if there is an indication that a

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were the first of their kind to

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and, given the statistical evi-

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prostitution is legal, but many of the activities surrounding it are not. A full-scale review of the law, it says, is overdue. Details: 0171-729 9904.

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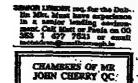
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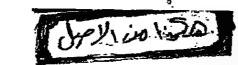
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Next step for stipes

The time is right for judicial reform, says Peter Badge, a retiring senior stipendiary

magistrate. Frances Gibb reports

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review of the prosecution system has been ordered the Government because of concern over falling conviction rates. The Home Secretary wants to bear down on persistent offenders. The Lord Chief Justice has called for a Royal Commission. But for a quick snapshot of how the criminal justice system is working on the ground. Peter Badge is better placed than

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Last week, aged 65, he retired after five years as Chief Metropolitan Stipendiary Magistrate and more than 20 years as a "stipe" on the Metropolitan bench — in which he handled the first war crimes committal as well as that of Rosemary West,

the mass murderer. The most fundamental change in that time," he says, "Is the level of sophistication in the courts - public interest immunity hearings, abuse of process. We did not have any of that at all 20 years ago."

The prevalence of pure fact drugs . is another. When I was first a listened to One idea for stipendiary, I spent 13 speeding up the youth years in the East End and it was court is that stipendiaries would relatively rare to have anything other than possession of cannabis.

But every court now has drugs cases by the bucketful." At Bow Street, where he was based, many of the crimes are theft in the shape of handbag snatches usually to feed a drug habit, he says. "If resources were put into dealing with the very difficult problem of drug addiction, it would be infinitely more productive than building more prisons."

Mr Badge, who is married with four grown daughters, was born in Widnes, Cheshire, went in Ruthin School, North Wales, and Liverpool University. He began professional life as a prosecuting solicitor with New Scotland Yard, went into private practice and on to the bench in 1975. The change since then in the nature of the work and its complexity makes the time ripe, he argues, for an independent look at the "totality" of the criminal justice system — along the lines urged by Lord Bingham of Cornhill. The magistrates' court is no longer's "reduce charges"

single body of summary jurisdiction. It is more akin so a mini Crown Court and the level of legal knowledge and procedure required is extensive.

The Home Secretary is rumoured to favour a bigger role for stipendiaries, the 100 professional full-time magistrates — as opposed to the 30,000 lay justices in England and Wales. Last week he announced that supendiaries could sit on their own in youth courts. Mr Badge would back a ereater role.

"I don't want to supplent the lay justices and I don't think we could, even if that was wanted," he says.
"But we need a much wider spread

of stipendiaries to deal with the complex cases and for lay justices to decide issues of pure fact." He cites a recent report which concluded that one stipendiary was equal to 30 lay ductivity. The administrative back-up would also be less. "In the end it would be cheaper." His views will be

decide on guilt or innocence, and leave sentencing to a panel of magistrates or even, as in Scotland, of assessors with specialist knowledge. I think stipes could rise to that challenge. We are the mercenaries of the judicial system and if called to do a job, are willing to do it." He also suggests re-classifying some crimes — such as possession of carmabls — so they no longer qualify for jury trial.

At a more fundamental level, he proposes a new court tier — a supendiary sixting with lay justices with powers to deal with crimes carrying up to two years' imprison-

But improvements could be made to the existing system, he believes. A district attorney system to make the Crown Prosecution Service more localised would improve lisison between police and prosecutors, improve the chain of command and car delays. Stipendiaries and judges generally were also worried about the "tendency to



Peter Badge: courts have become more sophisticated

He added: "If it looks like a serious assault and blood was drawn, the charge is reduced to a Section 39 common assault which takes away the right to jury trial and it is tried by magistrates, which is cheaper. The CPS has improved from its early days, but it is under-funded, he says.

A second need - one also cited by Lord Bingham - would be to "beef up" community service so it is not seen as a soft option. "We must improve the way it is administered. I am not attacking the probation service, who do a good job. But we could set up community service run by former warrant officers on a strict regime. If someone turned up five minutes later the or she would ... life."

have to go back to court to see if the community service order should be

For himself though, it is semiretirement to Devon, to combine some Crown Court recorder work and sitting on mental health tribunals. The idea is to leave time for his part-time work on a PhD in maritime history at Exeter University. A founder member and chairman of the Coracle Society since 1988, he has what is thought to be the biggest collection of coracles in the world and both makes and uses them extensively. Criminal justice suddenly seems a long way away. "Coracles and currachs," he confesses, "are my main obsession in

Jane Mann spots a ruling that could help dismissed workers

The courts and tribunals are increasingly scrutinising the behaviour of people at work and demanding higher standards of employers and employees alike. In a recent landmark ruling, the House of Lords paved the way for employees to claim compensation if they suffer financial loss, such as failing to find another suitable job, because of the behaviour of their former bosses. The case was brought by two employees, Rathan Nasir Mahmud and Oaiser Mansoor Malik, who were made redundant after the collapse of the Bank of Credit and Commerce

International in 1991. They argued that the bank overated corruptly and dishonestly, that they were innocent of any involvement, and that they were stigmatised by their association with the bank. The result, they said, was that their employment prospects were damaged and they suffered a financial loss.

The Lords confirmed that the bank, as employer, was under an implied obligation not to engage in conduct likely to undermine the trust and confidence required if the employment relationship were to continue. As part of this general obligation, the bank was also under an implied obligation to its employees not to conduct a dishonest or corrupt business.

But the law lords broke new ground when they considered the remedies available to the employees when the employer's conduct is likely to destroy or seriously damage the relationship between em-

ployer and employee. An employee who becomes aware of such conduct has the option of leaving immediately. If he or she does so or is dismissed, they can claim for the loss resulting from the premature termination of their contract. Such loss would be the income for the notice period or the balance of their employment

Until the BCCI ruling, this was thought to be the full extent of recoverable loss for breach of contract on the basis of a 1909 Lords' decision in Addis v Gramophone Co Ltd. That case is taken to hold that an employee cannot recover damages for the way in which he is dismissed, for injured feelings or for any loss suffered by the adverse impact on his chances of obtaining

Mr Mahmud and Mr Malik were claiming losses over damaged job prospects and the law lords held that this type of loss is now potentially recoverable. So an employer who breaches the trust and confidence term is now liable if he causes financial loss to the employ-

A new remedy for employees



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ee of a kind that was reasonably foreseeable.

Lord Nicholls of Birkenhead commented: "Employers must take care not to damage their employfuture employment prospects by harsh and oppressive behaviour or by any other form of conduct which is unacceptable today as falling below the standards set by the implied trust and confidence

n the BCCI case, unaccep table conduct during the employment relationship was involved. But the Lords indicated that the manner and circumstances of a dismissal may also give rise to liability if loss occurs. They did not consider the question of compensation for "injury of feelings".

The type of loss recognised in the BCCI case is potentially recoverable in tribunal and High Court proceedings. In the tribunal, compensation for loss for unfair dismissal is limited to £11,300, but an employee can bring a separate action for contractual damages of up to £25,000.

Mr Mahmud and Mr Malik may still not win compensation because they have to establish that they did suffer a foreseeable loss because of their association with BCCI. But the case remains potentially of great importance to employers and employees

For many dismissed employees it is how they were treated by their former bosses that most concerns them. Anger, a sense of injustice and a feeling that their standing has been lowered in the eyes of all who know them are common. The BCCI case potentially gives such employees a new remedy, but only if they can show that the employers' conduct was unacceptable and that they have consequently suffered foreseeable financial loss.

As for employers, they must now look to the impact of their conduct. including the way they conduct dismissals, on employees' future job prospects. They will have to take greater care not to make serious alegations against an employee without proper inquiries, nor to dis miss someone in a way that implies he is guilty of serious wrongdoing. when he is not. If they do, they may find themselves footing the bill when an employee cannot find a suitable new job as a result of their unreasonable behaviour.

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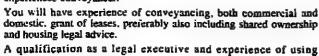
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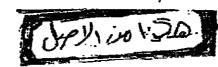
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RACING: JULY CUP WINNER AIMS FOR SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP IN NUNTHORPE

Compton Place lays claim to title

BY CHRIS MCGRATH

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IF COMPTON PLACE is unlikely to be forgiven the effrontery of his 50-1 success in the July Cup, he certainly seems to have been forgotten readily enough. But yesterday James Toller, his trainer, promised a reminder of his egitimate title to the sprint. championship in the Nonthorpe Stakes at York in 16 days' time. It seems that the Knayesmire, formerly the site of public executions, remains a place of final judgment

When a change of tactics enabled Compton Place, a rank outsider, to come from off the pace to beat the

Nap: SWAN HUNTER (3.15 Catterick) NB: Present Generation (3.00 Folkestone)

favourite, Royal Applause, at Newmarket last month, the connoisseurs were confirmed in their conviction that 1997 is a pedestrian vintage for sormers.

Danetime, with a wide eyed public following through the summer's top handicaps, has duly acquired an irresistible momentum towards the vacant crown after winning the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood obliged to leave that decision on Saturday — a dramatic success, gaudily decorated by the £200,000 Michael Tabor. Place thrives on fast ground.

won backing his colt.
But Toller believes that clutching in vain at the straw. York were to water in an colours of his long-time pa- attempt to ensure good going.

3.00 (8)) 1, BASHPUI. BRAVE (P Roberts, 12-1); 2, Imp Exposes (I Wester, 9-4 say); 3, Tutt Stayet (Kim Tiritler, 14-1), ALSO RAY; 4 Kabcset, 9-2 Henry The Identification Princess; 14 Bee Dee Best, Good To Telle (5th), 18 Gorman, La Volte (4th), 32 February, Lovid Duer Cold, Micror Seep, Better Feith, 15.

6 Monerch's Pursuit (6th), Our Mein Mein (5th), 16 Curtetino, 20 Dicentra, 8 ven. 5, 4, 181, 314, 5, J. Pizzperald at Methon. Tobs: 52.90, 21.50, £1.10, 24.40, DF-53.30, CSF- £10.15, Tricest; £98.15.



Compton Place, the July Cup winner, reverts to five furlongs for the Nunthorpe Stakes at York's Ebor meeting

ESTERNAL SHEETINGS

tron, the Duke of Devonshire : "I maintain that it was the What price would Compton: Place have been off 8st 10lb in the Stewards' Cup?" he asked. "If I were a bookmaker, I would certainly make us is vourte for the Numberpe." One suspects that, in the event, bookmakers will be

which would eliminate Danetime; and Toller confessed that Danetime could find himself he swould not be amused if

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5.06 (Non 20) 1. MONFTOR 95 Feiton, 1-5 Ito); 2, Nature Dencer (M Fills, 10-1); 3, Highest \$400-001, 7-1), Smap, 21, 8, 14 Cacifar Newmarkst, Tolk: \$1,00, DF: \$1,50, OF: \$2,50, OFF-\$2,18.

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Going: good

Newton Abbot

ground that beat us in the Gimerack at last year's meet-ing," he said. "Seb Sanders said that he hit a patch that bogged him down in the last 50 yards; likewise in the Flying Childers at Doncaster. But I am keen to go for the Nunthorpe, to show that he is an adaptable horse with bags of

him as the champion." The Indian Ridge colt must certainly play his hand before

North, 18th, 8t, 11t, 13t, 13ti, K Burter at Warstage. Tota: \$2.30; \$1.70, \$2.70, \$2.20. DF: \$14.50. Trior \$56.70. CSF-827.46. No bid 2.45 (2m 8f hdke). 1, COMMANCHE CREEK (A.F. McCoy; \$-1 stol; 2, Persian Myedic (M Marstor, 7-1); 3, Green listend (S McNell, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 Butters Bay (5th), 5-2 On My Tosa (4th), 12 Miss Souter (6th), 16 Arthapon (ur), 35 Rapid Liner (pu), 8 ran. 11t, 15t, 28t, 35t, 25t, M-Ppe at Welfington, Totat: \$2.30, \$2.30, \$2.30, \$2.10, \$2.10, \$2.50, \$1.70, \$2.50, \$0.90. \$1.10 (CSF: \$217.01. Tricent: \$280.450.

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\$.15 (3m 2! 110yd ch) 1, STRONG
\$TUFF (Mr R Waldey, 8-1); 2, Kirkogh
Gale (R Johnson, 7-1); 3, Morchard Milly
(Mr A Holchesorth, 50-1). ALSO RAN; 4-5
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speed. He would have won the

July Cup at five furlongs as

well as six. If he can win there,

the Prix de l'Abbaye in the autumn, as the going is likely to be soft in Paris.

Toller, 43. is enjoying a fine third season since moving from Newmarket to Wiltshire, where he shares facilities with David Elsworth. Back at the July Course last Saturday, moreover, he was given cause to believe that he may have another star in the making among his string of just 25

perhaps people will accept Teapot Row, also carrying the Duke's colours, earned a quote of 25-1 for next year's 2,000 Guineas when making

PMcCoy, 11-101se/; 2, Alphe Leethar (R. Johnson, 9-2), 3, Duistal Doily (P. Hendey, 10-1). ALSO RAN. 7 Irane's Pet (Sth), Moonlight Escapade (put), 8 Sprig Mustin (put, 10 Society Gril, (4th), 16 Tullylynne Belle (8th), 8 ran. NR: Galloging Gurs. 51, 61, elst. M Pipe at Weilington. Tote: 52-20; \$1.50, \$1.20, \$4.50. DF: \$3.80. Trice: \$14.70. CSF: \$7.20. Tricest: \$34.55.

Tito: £14.70. CSF: £7.29. Tricast: £34.35.
4.45 (2m 110yd ch) 1, POND HOUSE (A P McCoy, 7-4 sw); 2, Tango's Delight (V Siattery, 35-1); 3, Haifram Tam (S Curran, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Dubelle, 5 Willia Maket (5th), 8 Storm Falcon (pu), 9 Indian Run (8th), 10 Stopletond Lady, 14 Dewn Chence (4th), 10 Stopletond Lady, 14 Dewn Chence (4th), 20 Gebish, 35 Weiki in The Woods, Who's To Say (pu), 12 ran. 91, 81, 914, 121, 21. M Pype at Weilington. Tota: £3.90; £1.90, £11.00, £2.80. DF: £389.90, Tric £327.00 (part won. Pool of £419.13 cerried (onwered to 4.45 Catterfolk Bridge today). CSF: £56.59 Tricast: £650.63.

5.15 (2m 11 list) 1, REGAL ABSENCE (A

all for a flamboyant fourlength debut success. Toller may now step the Generous colt up to seven furlongs in the Deploy Acomb Stakes, also at the Ebor meeting.

Compton Place is being kept for York rather than taking in the Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville on Sunday, though that contest also seems likely to put Danetime's championship pretensions in perspective. It features the return to action of Pas De Reponse, who seemed not to last the mile when fourth behind Sleepytime in the 1,000 Guineas.

McCoy has five-timer

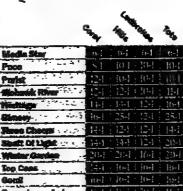
TONY McCOY gained the second five-timer of his career, at Newton Abbot yesterday, at odds of 120-1. Mc-Coy was successful on the Martin Pipe-trained quartet, Commanche Creek, Couchant, Totally Yours and Pond House, plus Nashaat, trained by Karl Burke. 'My other five-timer was at

Uttoxeter and it's great to noon as it makes all the hard work worthwhile." McCoy said. It might have been six winners for McCoy if Galatasori Jane had not failen at the final fence of the Grosvenor Casino Plymouth Novices' Chase when disputing the lead.

RACING AHEAD Robert Wright suggests the best value in the ante-post market

TOTE EBOR HANDICAP

York, August, 20 QUIDE TO THE LEADING PRICES



ants-post market for the Tote Ebor, run at York in 15 days time. Media Star and Puce leapt to the top of the betting after finishing first and second in a competitive Goodwood handicap, while Mohawk River advertised his chances with Madia Stor was given a well-judged ride by Olivier Pestier. with made all the running on John Gosden's coft having positived a washing lead three furlongs from home. He is unlikely to have things his own way at York, and may enterprising side by Pot Endery, but finished to good effect from the rear and, having run best eight times, is open to further improvement. A winner of York helt year, she looks

However, a better option is Stream, Reg Akehinst has few peers when it comes to preparing a house for a major handicip, and this high-class hurdler is open to consider improvement on the Flat. He looked slightly in need of the run at Sandown in July, finisting sixth after travelling well for a long way. He then finished a disappointing fourth at the same track, but that run should be ignored as he was unsuited by being held up in a slowly run race. A big field and strong pace are assured at York, and, at 25-1 with Hills and the Tota, BIMSEY marks each-way support.

CATTERICK

2.15 Zambezi, 2.45 Rose Of Glenn, 3.15 Swan Hunter, 3.45 Pardan, 4.15 Urgent Reply, 4.45

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.45 WINDRUSH BOY. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.15 Zambezi. 2.45 Admirals Secret.

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4.00 WARREN FILLES HANDICAP (62,924: 67 189yd) (9 runners)

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4.30 KENT MESSENGER GROUP NEWSPAPER MAIDEN HAMPICAP (£3,494: 1m-11 149yd) (8 runners) :

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FORM FOCUS



BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

This play problem is from the Grand and Premier Life Masters Pairs. These august titles reward acquisition of 'Master Points' over several years, rather than a few outstanding performances. North-South game IMPs Dealer South

28732 76 49873 , N. 4A1065 ±KQJ94 W E **79842 7**J753 +K1072 254 .-**s**-VAKQ10 *A95 **9KG1105E** Contract: Stx Clubs by South. Lead: ace of spades.

Declarer ruffs the opening for his Three Spade bid, in lead and plays the king of clubs to the ace. West returns a values will be in spades; that spade, which declarer carefully ruffs high to preserve a to have the king of diamonds trump entry to the dummy. for his double. What now?

three diamond discards; (2) the diamond finesse; (3) the finesse of the ten of hearts for the diamond discards. Two chances which can be

can cash the ace-king-queen of hearts, and if the jack does not fall, ruff the ten and fall back on the diamond finesse. Without any opposition bidding that would be the best line. However, consider the clues from East-West's bidding. East should have a good suit section on Saturday.

makes West virtually certain For once, the 'two-for-one'

South has eleven easy tricks and three possibilities of a twelfth: (1) the jack of hearts falling in three rounds to allow percentage play for four tricks in hearts, small to the ten. This takes some courage, as losing the first round of a suit with AKQ10 facing shortage will look foolish. It's such a combined are (I) and (2). South counter-intuitive play that many of England's grandest titled players didn't even see it. This time East had the jack of hearts, and virtue was rewarded. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on

bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

HOOCHINGO a. An alcoholic drink b. A Chinese/Indian. cynestres: c. A dance MOPSY

a. Mandlin

b. A kitchen maid

c. An untidy woman

a. Conscription b. A horse manocuvre c. A song to get up to 120D a. A lizard

LEVADE

b. The Phoenician letter Z c. A bang



KEENE on CHESS

By RAYMOND KEENE

British favourite

The undoubted favourite in 33 g4 Smith & Williamson Briush championship which started yesterday in Hove is grandmaster Michael Adams, 37 Ng3 Skg2 No I position in the British ranking list, ahead of Matthew Sadler and Nigel Short. In the game today we see him defeating former British champion, grandmaster Tony

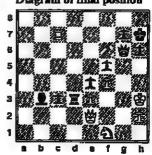
White: Tony Miles Black: Michael Adams PCA Intel Grand Prix London 1995

Torre Attack

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30 Rc1 Axd7 Be6 Rd2 Rd5 c4 Rd7 46 Rc7 48 NI1

White resigns Diagram of final position



Mind Sports Olympiad

A chess problem solving event will be held during the Mind Sports Olympiad on the afternoon of Saturday August 23. For information on entries ring 0171-703 2828.

☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

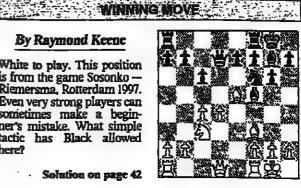
By Raymond Keene

26 Nh1

27 Dg6

White to play. This position is from the game Sosonko — Riemersma, Rotterdam 1997. Even very strong players can sometimes make a beginner's mistake. What simple tactic has Black allowed

Solution on page 42



Inspiration runs out for Croft the bard

By PAT GIBSON

COLWYN BAY (final day of four): Glamorgan (Ilpts) drew with Nottinghamshire (6)

IT PROMISED to be one of the greatest days of Robert Croft's life. He had been flown in from the National distedd-(od, where he had been honoured for his contribution to Welsh culture, to bowl Glamorgan to a victory that would strengthen their position at the top of the county championship and, at the same time, make the England selectors think again about leaving him out of their side for the fifth Test match.

For a while, everything went perfectly according to the script. The helicopter that had taken him the 30 nules to Bala and back landed on the outfield precisely half an hour before the start and no south

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had he swapped the green robes he had been given on his admission to the Gorsedd, the Welsh bardic circle, for his cricketing whites, than he was in business.

He took a wicket with his second ball and another in his third over as Nottinghamshire, needing 151 to make lapsed to 32 for four but then it all began to go horribly wrong. Croft did take one more wicket and an important one at that since Nottinghamshire were still 41 behind at 110 for six but in the end the England off spinner was left in utter frustration as Chris Tolley and Jimmy Hindson confounded Glamorgan with an unbroken ninth-wicket stand of 80 in 27 overs.

So Glamorgan had to be content with 11 points and while they are enough to take them into a clear lead, they may live to regret the loss of the first day to rain and, even more, the indiscipline which cost them the services of Philip North as a second spinner.

North, it will be remembered, is the slow left-armer who was going to play his first match for eight years because Dean Cosker was away with the England Under-19 side but was dropped after turning up late on the second day.

It did not seem to matter too much in the morning when Waqar Younis burst through Dowman's defence to have him leg-before and Croft, coming on for the seventh over, bowled Robinson off his pad when he tried to cut.

Croft then had Johnson caught off hat and pad at silly point and Watkin had Astle caught at slip before Archer and Afzaal showed the first sign of Nottinghamshire resis-tance with a lifth-wicket stand

Afzaal did not survive the first over after funch. Thomas hitting his stumps as he pushed forward, and it still it looked as though Glamorgan would win with plenty of time to spare when Archer, who had just swept Croft confidently for four to reach 40, tried to repeat the stroke and was wonderfully caught by Dale, running full tilt from long leg and somehow keeping his feet inside the rope.

Noon helped Tolley to clear the arrears but Nottinghamshire were still only eight runs ahead with more than 20 overs remaining when Butcher, succeeding where Waqar and Watkin had failed, had Noon leg-before and bowled Evans

Tolley, however, was batting beautifully and when the unconsidered Hindson nor only matched him but even had the temerity to get on to the front foot and drive Wagar straight for four, Glamorgan knew the cause was lost. I the time Maynerd called it a day with Nottinghamshire 88 runs ahead and only six overs left, Tolley had been there almost 3½ hours for 73, his highest score for the county, while Hindson was within eight runs of only his second first-class 50.



Roshan Mahanama, of Sri Lanka, cuts the ball away for four during his unbeaten 283-run second-wicket partnership with Sanath

Jayasuriya in the first Test in Colombo. Replying to India's first Innings of 537 for eight declared, Jayasuriya (175 not out) and Mahanama (115 not

Lanka's highest Test partnership and take them to 322 for one at the end of the third day.

Newcomer checks Kent

By DEREK HODGSON

WORCESTER (final day of four): Worcestershire (lipts) drew with Kent (9)

TOM MOODY set Kent a target of 321 in a minimum of 80 overs and the match was nicely balanced, with Kent 158 for four and 33 overs remaining, when rain ended the hopes of both sides. Moody's apparent generos-

ity, asking Kent to score at little more than four an over on a flat pitch over a fast outfield, had turned into an interesting gamble, for both teams intended to go flat out for a win. Kent could have led the championship again; Worcestershire could have completed their second victory and moved into mid-table respectability.

Worcestershire had batted on for another 14 overs, which brought 92 runs, on a grey but warm morning, Kent allowing their batsmen to be used as

bowling fodder. Graeme Hick was absent nursing a badly bruised finger, hit by Martin McCague on Sunday, so David Leatherdale became the principal plunderer, hitting two sixes and seven fours while striking 50 off 37 balls before the declaration left Kent with 19 overs to bat before lunch.

Ed Smith was moving briskly when he took once chance too many against that old fox Phil Newport and slashed high to gully. Trevor Ward, driving powerfully, ensured that Kent retained the advantage, until Moody called

on Maneer Mirza. Maneer, 19. is the younger brother of the late Parvaz, also Worcestershire seam bowler, and was making his championship debut. He is of medium height and possibly needs his approach smoothing out. But he has a fine delivery action and in an impressively sharp spell of nine overs at least two Kent batsmen heard the hall smack into Steve Rhodes's gauntlets while the bat was still coming down. On a faster pitch than this, he could be an interesting, possi-

bly exciting proposition. During his spell, which cost 22 runs, the newcomer bowled Ward with a near-yorker that flew off an inside edge and knocked out the off stump. The next ball must have been close to sending back Graham Cowdrey leg-before.

Alan Wells and Cowdrey

were able to keep him and Moody out for 14 overs but the score rose by only 35 and Kent's initial impetus had been lost. Both fell to slip catches and the onus then fell on the all-rounders, Mark Ealham and Matthew Fleming Both, no doubt, would have been capable of decent scores against a tiring attack, with Newport alone likely to be able to apply a brake, had

the weather not intervened. Kent continue to give the impression that they are a good team not quite fulfilling their potential. Worcestershire, who have had a couple of seasons in transition, have had to think a their coach, Dave Houghton, intends to return to Zimbabwe. Moody, 32, remains favourite to succeed him, but he would probably like to continue playing for a while, which would prevent Worcestershire from seeking another overseas

Malcolm is available. As for White, he no longer has Raymond Illingworth (who was on the ground but whose main obsession these days is cutting his lawn) in a position to further his cause. The conditions were not as helpful as at the start of the match, but he did make one swing in sufficiently to have Roberts leg-before and he beat Fordham with movement off the pitch. Just about every-thing has happened here in terms of help for all manner of bowlers, but run-gathering has still been feasible.

held low at mid-wicket by the substitute fielder, Gareth Clough, who is attached to Yorkshire's academy, he had taken three wickers in 17 balls. In due course Stemp, who gained a considerable turn, switched ends and had Penberthy and Bailey caught at the wicket, one off the bottom edge and the other when on the back foot. The captain's shot, to a ball that

When White had Curran

did not turn, was a loose one. The left-handed Taylor, however, swept Stemp effectively. At lunch, Northampton-

White makes light of Gough's absence

BY IVO TENNANT

HEADINGLEY (final day of four): Yorkshire (20pts) bt Northamptonshire (6) by 36

for 31, the best first-class

This was all the more com-

mendable as there was no

Gough in support at the other

end. After a net in the morn-

he decided that his sore

figures of his career.

that they were without Sales, who has been required by England's under-19s and, in AFTER batting pleasingly and diligently on Saturday eveaddition. Snape had broken thumb earlier in the match. ning, Northamptonshire lost Byas opted to bring White their way and, indeed, this back at the start of the second session and, although his field match yesterday. Needing a further 135 runs to beat Yorkplacings were nothing if not defensive, victory was swiftly shire, with one lower-order batsman injured and eight other wickets intact, they were bowled out shortly after lunch for 178. Craig White took five

Ripley was leg-before shap ing to drive Silverwood to mid wicket. Then Boswell was held by the solitary slip. Byas himself, as he made to fend off a lifting ball from White. Mohammad Akram then drove the same bowler to cover. Although Northamp-

shire needed a further 48

They were disadvantaged in

knee required further treatment. He will, though, be joining his England coleagues for net practice at Trent Bridge today, clearly intent on being fit to play in the fifth Test. If not, then

White: career best

match when they dropped Blakey early in his second innings on Saturday, they with hindsight, have bowled Yorkshire out even more cheaply when there was so much movement on the first

Now that Snape has his damaged thumb in a sling. Emburey will have to consider whether to come out of his selfimposed semi-retirement. It could be that, like Illingworth before him, he will find organising his charges to be an easier job on the field than off it. Either that or Northamptonshire will have to come up with a way of preventing Shane Warne from going to Hove. They are not good enough at the moment.

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Record end to Such's unremitting toil Trent Bridge in 1895. Such is the afternoon. Smith, who

COLCHESTER (final day of fourl: Essex (Ppis) drew with Leicestershire (7)

PETER SUCH has enjoyed a good career in county cricket. and occasionally as an England player, without ever threatening to join the game's immortals. Yesterday, as Essex's match with Leicestershire was gently laid to rest, the 33-year-old off spinner established a new record for the number of balls bowled in a championship innings. His figures read, astonishingly:

Excitement - if that is the appropriate word for so mundate a contest - mounted throughout the afternoon, as Leicestershire plodded wearily along at two runs an over. Could Such match the 77 overs that Phil Edmonds bowled for

shire at Lord's twenty years ago? Yes. he could. The Leicestershire last pair,

Smith and Mulially, hung on, not grimly, but rather comfortably, and the small crowd was unaware of Such's imminent record. In the press tent, though, scribes were agog as he went past the 79 overs that J. C. White bowled for Somerset at Taunton in 1930 and then drew level, on 80, with W Huddleston, of Lancashire (1901) and G.S. Boyes, of

Hampshire (1934). By now the Essex players were aware of the situation, and enjoying it rather more than the game itself. When Such bowled the first ball of his \$2nd over he moved beyond Johnny Wardle, the Yorkshire left-arm spinner, who got through 81 overs in a match against Derbyshire at Bradford in 1949. Only one

overs later Such hit the bulls-

Until yesterday the record for the most number of halls bowled in a championship innings belonged to Alfred Shaw, who sent down 100.1 five-ball overs for Sussex against Noninghamshire at



Such: marathon spell

now his better. When Leicestershire declared a game of two innings at 515 for nine he had send down 516 balls. So a man who had not taken a wicket all day walked off to applause! Shaw, a professional bowler

in a game played largely by gentlemen, belonged to the Golden Age of cricket. An associate of Arthur Shrewsbury, he spent most of his career with Nottinghamshire bowled 18 more maidens.

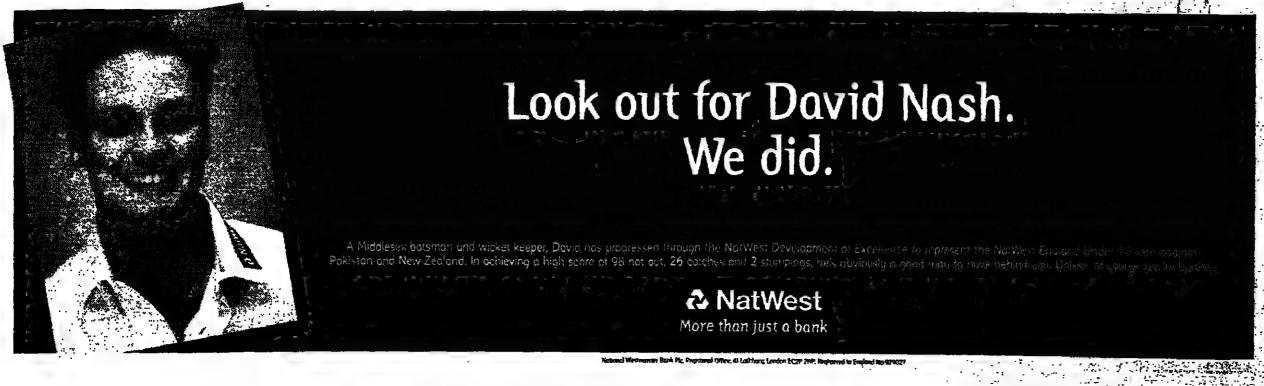
although it was against that county, at the age of 52, that he achieved his feat. For the record. Such conceded 74 fewruns than Shaw, and The record will last longer in memory than the manner of its achievement. Leicestershire, who began the day at 316 for six. needing another 68

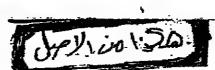
runs to avoid the follow-on, entertained no thoughts of

bagged a pair in the last match against Nothinghamshire, batted through the day to make his second hundred of the season, and pretty boring it was. Apart from a maiden first-class wicket for Jonathan Powell, their 18-year-old off spinner, Essex found little to They would have been

happy to leave Leicestershire James Whitaker, the Leicester-Shire captain, refused to accept the bait.

His defence was two-fold. Two of his batsmen, Johnson (ankle) and Sutcliffe (rib) were carrying injuries, and the pitch was "ripping square". In fact it ripped so square that Essex took three wickets all day, and in 210 overs they failed to bowl out their Opponents.





CRICKET: STAND OF 140 SEALS ZIMBABWE'S FATE IN SECOND ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL

Bold Flintoff steals limelight

GUST 3 1997

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SOUTHAMPTON (England Under-19 won toss): England Under-19 beat Zimbabwe Under-19 by eight wickets

BEN HOLLIOAKE signed off as a junior international cricketer, before embarking on the next stage of his great anven-ture, by hitting the winning run in another embarrassingly comfortable victory for the England Under-19 team over Zimbabwe yesterday.

Hollioake, who made 59 bowled a five-over spell of little distinction in Zimbabwe's innings but he and his captain, Andrew Flintoff, added 140 together in an unbroken part-pership as England completed a 2-0 win in the series by eight wickets with more than three overs to spare.

In a match reduced to 25 overs-a-side, Zimbabwe made a respectable, if not terribly challenging, 156 for nine. But their bowling, which was dreadful in the first match at Hove, was little better here.

Flintoff, who recently scored his maiden first-class century. for Lancashire, caught the eye rather more than Hollioake, hitting seven sixes in his unbeaten 72, which came from ordy 43 balls.

Hollioake should have been run out when he had made 22, with England on 49 for two. but Colin Delport, Zimbahwe's wicketkeeper, fumbled the return with the batsman

still well short of his ground. Flintoff and Hollioake seized the apportunity to enjoy themselves in the evening sunshine. Both brought up their half-centuries with sixes, Flintoff, chipping Bradley. McCoun to mid-wicket, and Hollioake, a with a magnificent straight hit off Aubrey Steyn, the opening bowler, who dropped a simple caught

and bowled chance next ball. Hollicake had been hit for a straight six by Andre Hoffman, which was probably the shot of the day. Should Hoff-



Ben Hollioake, watching the rain at Southampton yesterday, knows his personal outlook is bright

man's career not progress as far as he hopes, at least he can treasure that reoment.

Zimbabwe had clearly given consideration to their batting after Hove, where they were grateful for the number of extras granted them by the

England bowlers.
Yesterday, Douglas
Marillier and Lance Malioch-Brown set off in a much more

the first wicket. Marillier showed a particular fondness for Ryan Sidebottom, hitting him for four boundaries in five deliveries as the Yorkshireman strayed down the leg side in his opening over.

The teams now move on to play three four-day matches, a form of cricket which none of the touring side has yet experiassured vein, putting on 79 for confronted by Hollicake nor

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backed us. Test cricket is very

different from one-day cricket but they [the Hollioakes]

appear to have the right sort of

attitude and temperament and

will give England a bit of extra

said. "The average age is 21. We believe in putting a premium on talent rather than

> He described Raza as "a genius" and points to the steady development of Shoaib Akhtar, a fast bowler, and Javed Qadeer, the wicketand a reliable

the street."

MacLaurin must address need to be competitive

ago, looking to kill a few hours in Sydney, I caught a taxi across town to Coogee, to watch Angus Fraser play for his club side, Western Sub-AT 19, Ben Hollioake has urbs, against Randwick. Fraser, left out of the England been heralded as England's touring party, was guesting for them, at least until Eng-land recalled him for the Test match in years. It is hard

drew with Gloucestershire Sydney Test. The cricket that day was yesterday after the match was competitive (as good as sec-ond XI standard in England, abandoned because of rain. such a selection represents the norm. Indeed, a player with the flair of the younger thought Fraser) but what stuck in the mind was the cab Hollioake might have won ride itself. On every plot of land, it seemed, people were playing cricket. And, so far as his spurs even earlier. Nine of the Pakistan A party in England had no firstone could tell from the back of car, these games were also

present tour while the three being played in a competitive Test players in the 16-strong spirit. The players had not turned up just to make up the party represented their counnumbers. try as teenagers. How different it is here. Last Mohammad Wasim, the

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a chance

to disagree. However, in Paki-

stan, whose visiting A team

Saturday, making a journey of captain, was 19 when he similar length through West scored a century against New London, I saw only a couple of Zealand last winter while Hassan Raza, possibly the youngest Test player when he games taking place and the one at Kew Green, however nade his debut against Zimsplendid the setting, did not seem to be all that taxing. babwe in October last year, is still just 15. His development There is nothing wrong with is astonishing even by the standards of the east; less that. Recreational cricket, as it is called, adopts many shades than a year ago he played against India in the Lombard of tone and no law says you cannot play cricket just for the under-15 World Cup final at fun of it. But the fact is, too much

After a difficult start, the cricket at club level is soft and, side has acclimatised with in the few schools that care for victories in four one-day games as well as success in the game, it is probably too soft as well. Pinched on one side by the sale of playing the three-day game against Somerset. They had the better fields, and on the other by the of a draw against Sussex and absurd impulse that "competileast an even chance tive" sport is socially divisive, against Gloucestershire beour sport has been emasculatfore rain washed out the last ed in the past decade or so. two days. The tour ends with All this is well known, of a four-day contest against an course, but it is still worth

England and Wales Cricket bearing in mind when Lord Board XI at Chelmsford from MacLaurin publishes his report today.

Another image stands out from that week in Sydney. August 15-18. When the side was chosen we felt the experience was of There was a striking advert on sters," Agha Zahid, the coach, billboards, showing a picture

of a sullen youngster, with the caption: Today's problem child. Tomorrow's great Ausgrinding the best boys through the mill. Very often tralian". You could never get away with that in England. we find the boys playing in We have become so ironic, so "cool". I think the word is, that people tend to laugh at the very notion of Englishness, never mind great Englishness. frony is a weapon, but we have reached the stage when we cannot take anything seri-

MICHAEL HENDERSON



Line and Length

Put simply, if we constantly deride England in all its aspects, to the point of apologising for actually being English, how can young people grow up in all this confusion? And what do they feel when they are selected to represent their country at sport, in this case cricket? Particularly if, like the Hollioakes, they are not wholly English in any case.

Permit me to recall one final memory. When he was first selected for England some years ago a member of the team that plays Australia at Trent Bridge later this week wondered, "what it really means, playing for England". It's not that he was not patriotic, but he was not sure how to define his patriotism. Again, that remark is not something that would slip easily from an Australian.

No amount of music blasted out in the England dressingroom, or the sort of It's a Knockout bonding routines that have been properly lampooned, can summon a spirit of true patriotism. Look at the Australians. They are a passionate but not necessarily demonstrative lot, evidenced most clearly by Steve Waugh, the most committed cricketer of all, who prefers to reveal the depth of his feeling at the

A healthy measure of selfcriticism is essential to a country's well-being and though we may lacerate ourselves there is still hope. Why else, for instance, do Australia's best and brightest choose

Struggling Sussex make offer to Warne

THE Australian touring team crease to tell Greg Blewett, ventured to the County who was fielding close to the Ground, Taunton, yesterday but only to pick up their kit before leaving for Notting pening, it is impossible to keep the county of ham, where the fifth Test match starts on Thursday." There was never the slightest possibility of play on the concluding day of their match with Somerset, rain having fallen virtually non-stop for 24 hours when the abandonment

was made in early afternoon. The Australians were disappointed that they were denied the chance to win the game, as they had set themselves to complete their fixture list by beating Somerset, Kent and England (in the fifth and sixth

Test matches). Nevertheless, they spoke appreciatively of the competitive nature of the game Somerset had given them, which can be vouched for by anyone who saw Rob Turner leaving his

Shane Warne from centre stage. Yesterday he remained tight-lipped, and even refused to be photographed, on the day Sussex announced that they had made him a substantial offer" to play for them in 1998, though his reticence probably had little to do with: the imminent closure of a deal.

Sussex are not the first county to show an interest in acquiring Warne's services indeed, if all the rumours are true he has spent much of his spare time talking figures with potential employers — and he will want to carefully weigh the options before making a

That he will do so, probably at the end of tour later this month, seems certain. After

Simon Wilde believes Australia's key bowler

could be playing county cricket next season

all. Warne, 27, is now a family man and will want to do the best he can for his wife and new-born child; any deal is likely to make him the highestpaid player in the champion-

Should Warne want to play county cricket next year there is little that the Australian Cricket Board could do to stop him, except stress his obligations to the national team. Immediately before the 1998 English season, Australia are scheduled to tour India; directly after it, they go to the Commonwealth Games in

Kuala Lumpur, a competition

are keen to take part. . However, as they cannot do

much about turning Brighton beach into Bondi, Sussex will need to convince Warne of their intention to turn themselves into a competitive championship side, was one of the purposes of the latest overhaul in their structure. A commercial director is being sought and Desmond Haynes, predictably, is to leave at the end of the season with one year of his coaching contract remaining. A strengthening of the playing staff is

sure to follow. Steve Waugh, meanwhile. said that the Australians were looking forward to playing against the Hollioake brothers at Trent Bridge. "England have made a bold selection, he said. "It reminds me of what Australia did ten years ago when they picked young

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St Helens point in direction of quarter-final

By Christopher Irvine

WHEN the occasion demanded. St Helens produced their best display to defy the odds and maintain their interest in the world club championship. Penrith Panthers, their opponents in Sydney yesterday, although fancied to win by more than 46 points in order to reach the quarter-finals. were frustrated in victory

Even if St Helens could not beat Penrith, they knew that by keeping the margin of defeat to nine points or fewer. the prize was a quarter-final play-off place at home against Paris Saint-Germain, tomorrow week. They scraped home by a deficit of six points losing 32-20 — with five minutes to spare, Sean Long capped a fine display at standoff with his side's fifth and

Long's unchecked charge to the Penrith line, in the 75th minute, Warrington Wolves had occupied the playoff position in Europe pool A. The odds of advancement in the competition were seen to favour Penrith, particularly in the light of the 70-6 mauling suffered by St Helens at Auckland Warriors. But their points chase fizzled out as St Helens rallied from 32-10 down in the last 23 minutes.

Triumph in defeat was a concept Shaun McRae found difficult to lathom, but the St Helens coach was encouraged by his players' response. "It's

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the first time I've put a smile on when we've been beaten," he said. "As we showed, Saints are a side with plenty of attacking flair. What we found out again is that the English game lacks the defensive

McRae had every reason to criticise his side's one-on-one

Mariners seeking link with Glasgow

By Christopher Irvine

HUNTER MARINERS, one of the new franchises in the Australasian Super League (ASL) this season, have confirmed their interest in establishing a "sister" club in Glasgow, similar to the arrangement that used to exist between Brisbane Broncos

and London Broncos. Bob Ferres, the Hunter chief executive, confirmed in an interview in the League Express newspaper yesterday that talks had taken place with Glasgow City Council and the Rugby Football League (RFL) about basing a Super League team at Partick Thistle Football Club's Firhill ground. which has hosted two Scot-

the past year. Ferres said that the plans were not dependent on possible changes to the domestic structure of the game in in Australia next season. It is possible that a settlement to the long-running dispute between the ASL and the rival Australian Rugby League (ARL) would force a merger between Hunter and Newcastle Knights, their ARL neighbours.

The council in Glasgow

have shown an interest in a team at Partick Thistle." Ferres said, "We have offered our services to the people who are driving it, and we are waiting to hear from Maurice Lindsay (the RFL chief executive) about how we can

We have extensive knowledge about setting up a new franchise and we can assist them with some of our first grade players. It's important, too, to put a junior develop-

The ASL and ARL are at

least on speaking terms again, but a peace deal between the two organisations and unification for next season will require the blessing of television networks, Foxtel, who screen all ASL games and Optus, the ARL

[] Tony Currie is expected to renew his contract as coach of London for another two years before the match at the Stoop Memorial Ground tonight against Oldham Bears. The Broncos must win to retain any chance of catching Bradford Bulls at the top of the Stones Super League.

St Helens scoring rate kept reasonable pace. The game had looked to be up after just 13 minutes, as Girdler and Puletua exploited some pitifully-weak tackling. A try in response by Sullivan, brilliantly set up by Arnold from 80 metres out and irresistibly taken on by Newlove, set the

entirely responsible for

Penrith's six tries, except that

Newlove had meandered through the two previous games, but here the Great Britain centre was at his sharp, muscular best, as was Goulding, whose cut-out pass made room for Haigh to burst clear for the next St Helens try. Moments earlier. Carter had touched down from acting half back, although the Penrith captain should not have been awarded the score, as the proceeding play-the-ball was clearly illegal.

It was their opponents' vul-nerability to the counter-attack that led Penrith to reachable. Domic streaked clear before the break, and there were again missed tackles galore, as Carter and Puletua combined to put away Girdler for his second try. Another score by Gower, and with half an hour to go, time was on Penrith's side.

The last quarter is when Australian sides habitually crank up a few gears. How-ever. Penrith looked to be spent, and Arnold. Cunning-ham, who had another excelient game at hooker, combined with Long to ensure St Helens's future participation and the prospect of a quarter-final at Brisbane

Bobbie Goulding, the St Helens captain, said that the team had targeted Penrith as the weakest of their opposition in pool A. "We knew when we came out here that the two games against Cronulla and Auckland would be very difficult but we also knew from the game against Penrith back home that we could beat them," he said.

home and hopefully we'll beat Brisbane or Auckland away." SCORENS: Penrith: Tries: Godier (2), Pulehit. Carter. Domer, Gower Godier Gedier (6), St Heferis: Tries: Sulfvan. Haight. Amold. Custiningtern, Long. Goets: Goulding (3)

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mands. Davies is having a

mediocre season but the strain

of endless globetrotting, being

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in contention should not be

underestimated. There comes

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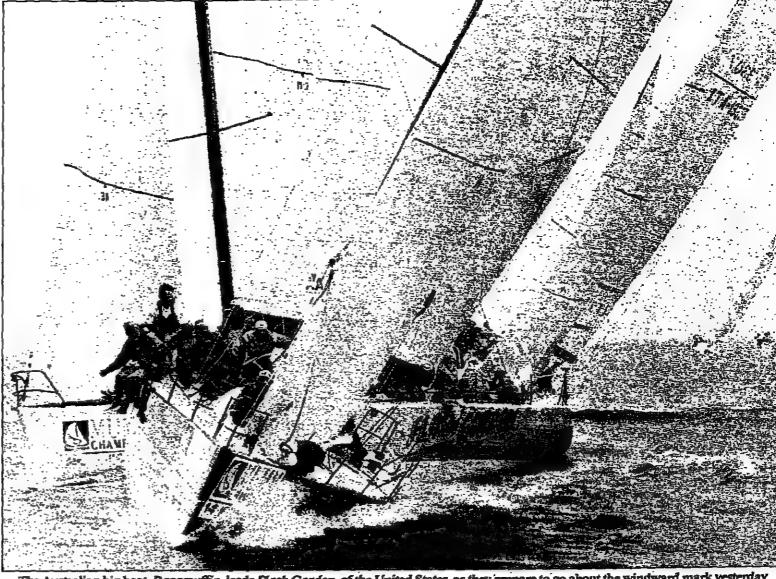
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en's Open would be ready for

means it could be the last.

the upgrade in 1999.



The Australian big boat, Ragamuffin, leads Flash Gordon, of the United States, as they prepare to go about the windward mark yesterday

Britain fortunate to stay in contention

BY EDWARD GORMAN FAILING CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the most frustrating aspects of sailing is that almost always the best racing happens a long way out to sea, where hardly anyone apart from jour-nalists and team coaches can see it. So it was yesterday in Christchurch Bay where the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup fleet enjoyed a cracking day's windward/leeward racing in 25knot easterly winds with the Needles lost in the hazy middle distance.

There were plenty of gear failures as the ZI boats were pushed to the limit, especially in the first race when wind against tide kicked up a lumpy sea.

Among the casualties was the Scan-

danavian ILC 40, Fram, skippered by King Harald V of Norway, who was unable to start race two because of rig problems. In the second race, the New Zealand Mumm 36, Georgia Express, sailed most of the course with a man up the mast after problems with the main halyard. Jim Farmer and his crew sailed on well behind the fleet under trysail and jib, but avoided a retirement. Another casualty was the German Mumm 36, Thomas I-Punkt, which finished the second race in sixth place bareheaded after problems with her jib halyard.

The consistent American team Flash Gordon 3, MK Cafe and Jameson, had the best of it, drawing first equal with the Italians overall in

the nine-race series - and finishing second in the second race. With a number of protests still to be heard last night, including three involving each of the British boats, this left the Americans maintaining their overall lead for the championship, just ahead of a tight battle for second and third between Britain and New Zealand.

The British team had another solid day but are lucky to be still in second place, less than a point ahead of New Zealand, John Merricks in the Mumm 36, Bradamante, and Andy Beadsworth at the wheel of the ILC 40, Easy Oars, were punished for mistakes in a fleet where the smallest errors can have serious results.

Merricks popped out at the first windward mark in the first race neck and neck with the Italians in Breeze, who just got inside to head them down a sizzling run. About a third of the way down, the British crew lost control and Bradamante slewed into a massive libe and broach which temporarily laid the boat flat. They managed to recover but had slipped from battling for first to a lowly fifth place. Displaying their customary fighting spirit, Merricks and Co recovered to finish third.

The big boat, Corum Indulgence, skippered by Chris Law, had a reasonable day, finishing lifth on handicap in the first race and third in

HOCKEY

Coetzee leads charge to finals

Utrecht next year when they cruised to a 4-1 win over Canada yesterday, their third successive victory in the qualifying tournament in Harare. Sitting comfortably at the head of their group. Karen Roberts, the South Africa captain, said after the game that the team had set their sights on gaining 12 points to make absolutely sure.

She said that their next match, against India, would be "a very different test

SOUTH Africa moved a step against another style of play". meet the South Africans in our closer towards clinching a and added: "I'm confident we final pool match," she said, place in the World Cup in can do it." So she should be. "when the top two positions South Africa have provided some scintillating moments in the tournament and are the team everyone is talking about. In Pietie Coetzee. 18. they have the leading goalscorer in the competition and a striker quickly earning a reputation as one of the best in

> Maggie Souyave, the England coach, said that she has never seen a player so young with such awesome linishing skills. "It's just as well that we

> > Mees Pierson

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the world.

could be finalised and the result won't affect us."

Coetzee used the drag flick method at a penalty corner to fire her team into a tenthminute lead, but Canada were back on level terms within two minutes through Amy McFar-lane, who deflected in a cross. In the second half, Coetzee scored her second goal, to take her tally for the tournament to seven. Susan Wessels added the third and Kerry Bee completed the scoring.

COMPANY GOLF DAYS

RESULTS

BOWLS

Yorkshire prove too strong for holders

dashed Somerset's hopes of retaining the Johns Trophy when they bear the holders, 122-107, in the final of the national inter-club championship at Royal Learnington Soa yesterday (David Rhys Jones

Most of the Yorkshire players were in the winning side in 1992, while five - Anita Haw, Betty Stubbings, Beryl Alderson, Margaret Seabrook and Ena Neal - could claim to have helped Yorkshire to

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YORKSHIRE women bowlers victory in 1983. June Kay, the Yorkshire president, from Selby, was in Seabrook's rink. who edged home by a single shot, and amused the gallery by doing a lap of honour around green D in the rain with the Johns Trophy held

> By contrast, the rink skipped by Somerset's president, Doreen Hall, was well and truly despatched by Haw's quartet, who returned an impressive and decisive

> > **M**arriott

GOLF

Walker happy to be in van

BY PATRICIA DAVIES

COLLEEN WALKER, a 40year-old Floridian, who travels the US Tour in what she calls "a beast of a van" with her husband. Ron Bakich, tenmonth old son. Tyler, and a chocolate-coloured labrador called Hershey, produced the round of her life to win the du Maurier Classic, the last women's major championship of the season, at Glen Abbey on Sunday.

It was five years and a baby since Walker last won a tournament and she had not had a top ten finish all season, but she swept past a horde of more obvious contenders. A classy 65 — 25 putts, no bogeys, eight birdies, including a four at the last, where she realised for the first time that she could win equalled the course record. Her total of 278, 14 under par. left her two shots ahead of Liselone Neumann, of Sweden, pipped for the title for the third time in four years. Walker danced a jig of

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delight when she holed her this year. She moved to 21st on putt on the 18th. "I don't know the money list, with \$213,801, how long it was," Walker, who earned \$180,000 (about Rolex rookie of the year title. E110,000), said, "but it was Laura Davies, the defending champion, battled exhausworth a lot." tion and sickness to finish sixteenth. Judged by the high standards her ability de-

Lisa Hackney, a revelation in her first US season, was the leading Briton. The 29-yearold from Staffordshire had a 67, to share ninth place, her third top ten finish in a major



Leicester

move to sign Horak LEICESTER rugby union

club yesterday moved to strengthen their squad by signing Michael Horak, a South Africa under-21 international. Horak, a full back or centre, played for Western Province before moving to Australia.

Horak has an English mother and therefore is not classed as an overseas player. He has signed a three-year CONTRACT.

Snooker: Alex Higgins yesteruled match in the qualifying school for the world-ranking competitions in Plymouth because of wrist and ankle injuries sustained in a latenight incident on Friday. Motor rallying: Kenneth Eriksson, of Sweden, over-

took Carlos Sainz to lead the New Zealand Rally from the Spaniard at the end of the third day yesterday.

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FOOTBALL FORMER CHAMPION JOCKEY PICKS UP THE REINS TO TACKLE A WHOLE NEW BALL GAME

Carson riding high with Swindon

By Russell Kempson

WILLIE CARSON glances at the kitchen clock, which reads a fraction past 10am. You're on time just he says. Good. The fact that the clock is fast and that I know warn early, is not dwelled upon the warning — that it is unwise to contradict Carson at first meeting - is heeded.

He was recently appointed an associate director of Swindon Town and, since he concluded his 38-year career as a jockey in March - having won 17 classics in England and II in Ireland - he has been able to devote more time to alternative forms of enter-tainment. He likes his football and his involvement at the a chance meeting with Mike Spearman, until recently the Swindon chairman and now a director, at a charity function

We had a chat, I told him I was interested in football and he invited me to the club, Carson said. "I think I became a bit of a lucky mascot. Every time I went along, the team.

One of the first letters I' received after I retired was from Mike, asking me to join the board. I jumped at the chance, I needed to get my teeth into something I thought it was a good idea. because I was a bit worried about not having anything to

Those fears have since proved unfounded. I now understand the word retirement. always thought it meant sitting in a deckchair on the in Scotland is a football porch, just rocking away. It doesn't mean that at all It means that you work twice as hard and twice as many hours for a fraction of the

my, took him to a match at and the last resort was to put.
Stirling Albion. I was \$2 and . me on board. Slicing away.
I must have been the only kid with me down to pest, but not there because a photographer on the way back. We finished took my picture," he recalled __last I think." "It was the first time I ap Umpteen winners honours peared in a newspaper. I've and five jockeys champion-still out the putting

sook me along. Everything in hear site kicked any while in Scotland revolved around the pardock at Newbury on football. When you were said a Scotland a lacerand fiver you talked about but where in took him three months you were going to play feetball, and recover, and reventually afterwards. We'd take one. Carsting accepted the

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Having a ball: Carson is finding retirement far from quiet as he looks forward to his new role as an associate director of Swindon Town

He moved to Yorkshire at 15 to begin his horse racing career, and rode in his first race in 1959, on Marija. "Useless, I was "be said: "I Carson, 54, grew up in only got the ride because I Stirling and was introduced to looked after her. She was a bit football when his father. Temor of a cow, she resented racing.

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its course, I was going downhill, I coulon't get better. I knew that I wasn't as energetic as I used to be but I was getting away with it. I could still do a job, I still regarded myself as a good man on the

was near the end but I didn't like the idea of Meshbed telling me when to

Unfortunately, she did." Though the frenetic pace has eased, giving him more time to see his nine grandchildren, Carson stays busy. "I have to keep the pennies rolling in because the bills keep coming in." he said. Carson is contented and at ease on his sprawling 155-acre near Cirencester. His embryonic television career, as a BBC racing summariser, has yet to take off but he makes personal appearances, gives talks, does question-andanswer evenings and had worked the Butlin's resort in Bognor Regis the previous

Swindon are obviously banking on his endearing

standing. "My job is to try to enhance the status of Swindon, to get them publicity," he said. "It's already got a good name, is very family orientated and, depending on my winter schedule, I'll go to as many matches as I can. I'll also be making sure that Swindon gets a mention in all the right

file to raise the club's own

"I've always had a rapport with the public. They see me as a friendly face and 1'm not regarded as a particularly serious person. They see me as more of a light-hearted, fun person that anyone can talk to. l like that, I'm quite proud of

The phone rings and Carson makes arrangements for his next assignment. "Don't worry about that," he says. "If anyone asks me for my badge, I'll just say: 'You're looking at it!"." He lets forth one of those heart and distinctive Carson cackles. Willie Carson, former champion jockey, has hardly changed a bit.

GOLF

Guru of groove helps juniors to get in shape

ONE of the most remarkable growth areas in golf in modern times is the increase in importance of the shaper of swings, the guru of groove: the coach. In the last ten years the teacher has often become a personality in his own right, frequently more easily recognised than some of the players that he instructs. They come higger than David

the emergence of Nick Faldo as a truly world-class player. Leadbetter is the man to whom Faldo went in the mid-Eighties after feeling that his swing was too loose. Leadbetter dismembered that

Leadbetter, the man behind

swing then put it back together again. Today, six major championships for Faldo later, Leadbetter is almost as well known as his distinguished pupil. So highly regarded is the

rall, lean Zimbabwean in coaching circles that top-flight professionals from all over the world are happy to boast that he is their coach. His services do not come cheap, and it is a tribute to a nationwide junior golf competition, which is being run in association with The Times, that he finds the time to be its patron.

Leadbetter joined the Daihatsu Junior Golf Tour UGT) in 1996 and formalised the agreement at the start of this year. He met and immediately struck up a good rela-tionship with Colin Springate, whose creation the tour is and who ran it single-handedly and at his own expense until Daihatsu, The Times and Gore-Tex became involved this season.

"I thought Colin had done a great job in trying to get this thing going and I thought I put a few resources behind what he was trying to achieve." Leadbetter said when he hosted a clinic for nine of the Tour's players last week at Chart Hills, headquarters of his European coaching operation.

"It's worked out well. I have always enjoyed junior golf and wanted to put something back into the game. I've done a few things in America and thought I would like to be involved over here. I think that there has been a lack in Britain of a well organised lunior gramme, and if we can find some stars of the future, then make that process much more we will have done our job."

Leadbetter is not content just to be a figurehead. He has regular discussions with Springate, and has a clear idea of how he wants the tour. which is split into three sections - North, South and National - to develop.

We hope to establish a tour that people will be proud of said. "We're looking to create strong competition and in having the three tours we can give many of them that competravel vast distances. We're determined not to cut out people who perhaps don't have the wherewithal to play otherwise.

There has not really been a co-ordinated approach in the past. There are organisations over here who are dedicated to helping young kids along, but what this tour tries to do is to



Leadbetter: tour patron

bring a national approach to the thing for the first time. I think we can help to speed up the learning process and, in doing so, help to identify the really good players. This will in turn help top amateur golf in the country and ultimately, hopefully, help to create better

players professionally.
We are trying to incorporate the coaching side into it as well and we're going to get into areas such as sport psychology, nutrition and physical training, as they do in Sweden and America.

There's a certain national pride in the quality of sporting heroes, and there are already good young players, such as Lee Westwood and Darren Clarke, coming through. .! hope this tour will help to

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First round

Wales keen to play in England

WALES want to stage international matches in England while the National Stadium in Cardiff, their home for most of the last eight years, is reconstructed (Russell Kempson writes). Bobby Gould, the Wales manager, is also hoping to attract top-class opposition for a series of friendly games leading up to the World Cup finals in France next year.

"We'll be out hunting for the best countries, perhaps Brazil or Argentina, who are planning goalposts, and we would play if was flinking about retirest yesterday. It would be tremendous for us, real in the street, anywhere, Any is not even before the accident, indeed, and if the games were played bit of parkland or wasteland. The said, My caree had run at big English stadiums near the border—cost of about £1 million.

places like Goodison Park and Anfield would also be great for our supporters."

Dave Webb, the Brentford manager, has moved up to become chief executive at Griffin

Park. "We'll be looking to find a replacement as soon as possible." Peter Gilham, the Brentford marketing manager, said. Chelsea's pre-season photocall was cancelled

yesterday after a van containing the players' kit and boots was stolen from Stamford Bridge. Southampton are hoping to complete the

RESULTS FROM ATHENS

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10,000 metres First round

First eight in each heat plus overall tour fastest losers qualify to final fastest losers quality to final CUALIFIERS. Heat one: 1, D. Castro (Por) 28ms 7.04sec. 2, M. Mounts (Bel) 2812 02: 3, S. Benous (Mon) 2812 33: 4, C. Elch (Get) 28 12: 65. 5, P. Knech (Ken) 28 13: 24: 6, A. Mezegebu (Eth) 28: 13: 95. 7, P. Tercjat (Ken) 28: 13: 98. 8, S. Hissou (Mon) 28: 15: 09: 9, J. Ramos (Por) 28: 20: 08. Heat two: 1, H. Gebresetasses (Eth) 27: 55: 36: 2, H. Mar (Eth: 27: 55: 71: 3, D. Xhan (Ken) 27: 56: 62. 4, A. Zidouna (Mon) 27: 57: 11: 5, D. Wilson (Aus) 27: 57: 45: 6, K. Messe (Holf) 27: 57: 78; 7, J. Rey (So) 28:03: 38: 8, H. Ramaste (SA) 28:06: 70, 9, T. Taka-oka (Japan) 28:07: 60: 10. S. Battim (B) 28: 07: 81: 11. T. Cherrussea (Zm) 28: 14: 03.

Svenony (Nor) 6.21.16 Withdraw: A Lambruschm (tr) Heat two: 1. B Barmssal (Nerl) 8:17.85, 2, W Knjeker Bott (Kerl) 8:18.92, 3, M Conghan (US) 8:19.98; 4, A Carosi (tr) 8:20.82, 5, B Boulam (Mor) 8:21.99; 6, F Ionescu (Rom) 8:23.5, Non-qualitier: 12, R Hough (GB) 8:59.24

4000 metres hurdies

1, S Desgars (Fr) 47 70acc, 2, L Herbert (SA) 47.8c; 3, B Bronson (US) 47.8c, 4, F Mon (t) 48 05; 5, 5 Materic Zerni 48 11; 6, R Meschehruto (Pluse) 48 62; 7, D Morgan (Jam) 49 05; 8, J Muzik (Cz) 49.51

High jump

High jump
Questying
2-26m or or leading 12 quality for line
Qualifiers: Group A: 1, G Mayo (Cof)
2-26m; 2 Jin-Taek Lee (S Kor) 2-28, 3, L
Pepekosta (Gr) 2-28; 4, M Buss (Ger) 2-28;
5, C Austin (US) 2-26m, Non-questifer; 8, M
Mandy (re) 2-23; 13, B Reity (GS) 2-25m,
Group B: Equal 1, S Heen (Not), A Partyles
(Pof) 2-28 and J Soformeyor (Cube) 2-28; 4, T
Forsyth (Aus) 2-28; 5, K Matusevitch (Ist)
2-28; 8, S Khugin (Russ) 2-28, 9, S Smath
(GBr) 2-26.

Women

rnsal 1, M Jones (US) 10.83; 2, Z Pintussevich (Us) 10.85; 3, S Fyres (Ben) 11.03; 4, C Arron (Fr) 11.05, 5, Miller (US) 11.18; 6, M Pacchice (Gen) 11.19; 7, M Ortey (Jam)11.29; 8, C Genes (US) 11.32

400 metres I. C Freeman (Aus) 49 77sec; 2, 5 Richards (Jam) 49 79; 3, J Mäes-Clark (US) 49 90, 4, G Breuer (Gen) 50 08; 5, F Ogunkoya

1, S. Kasparkova (Cz). 15,20m. 2, R. Mateescu (Rom). 15 16, 3, Y. Govorova (Ibr). 14,67; 4, O. Vasdelv. (Gl). 14 52; 5, A. Hansen (GB). 14 45; 6, T. Marinova (Bul). 14 34; 7, J. Blazevica (List). 14 06, 8, B. Lise. (Fr). 14 05; 9, G. Sproge (List). 13 96; 10, P. Lobrigger (Ger). 13 95; 11, C. Phodos (US). 13 79; 12, J. Gurelova (Bela). 13 59. Heptathion Final positions

Triple jump

Final positions
1, S Braun (Gar) 6,739pts, 2, D Lewis (GB)
6,654, 3, P Nazarowene (Li) 6,566, 4, Li
Whodarchyk (Pol) 6,542; 5, N Szzanovich
(Bela) 6,426; 6, M Stegand (Ger) 6,406, 7, D
Nathan (LS) 6,258; 8, I Vostnikova (Fluss)
6,277, 9, P Beer (Get) 6,259, 10, K Blar
(LS) 6,253; 11 N Teppe (Fr) 6,421; 12, M
Colomate (Fr) 6,179, 13, 7 Gordeyeve
(Russ) 6,044; 14, T Haumaia (Fri) 6,026, 16,
J Henry (NZ) 6,011; 16, I Clopes (Sp) 5,631

Answers from page 39

WORD-WATCHING

HOOCHINOO

(a) An alcoholic drink made by Alaskan Indians, especially the Hoochinoo tribe. Also any inferior alcoholic drink (especially whisky) in Alaska and the Canadian north-west. From the Tlingit Hutsnuwu a grizzly bear fort. "A discharged soldier named Doyle went to Hootznahoo, showed them how to distil a villainous compound from masses, yeast, berries, sugar, or other compounds. It was first so called from the village, Hootznahoo, paraphrased as Hoochinoo."
MOPSY

(c) An untidy or slatternly woman. "Poor Swann's pain and frustration are a simple matter. Odette de Crécy being the most commonplace of lying mopsies and a born torturer of the LEVADE

(b) A horse made to stand upright on its hind legs, from equestrianism. From the French lever to raise. "Training above the ground is usually started either with the Levade or Pesade. In both these exercises which are constructed from the Piaffe, the hind quarters, deeply bent in the haunch, support the entire weight of the body, whilst the fore quarters with the fore feet drawn up under the body, rise more or less high above the ground.

(c) An impact test in which a notched specimen fixed at one end is broken by a blow from a pendulum hammer and the energy absorbed determined by the decrease in the swing of the pendulum. An eponym of E. G. Izod. (floruit 1903), a British engineer, who devised the test. "Material with a low Izod figure offers a poor resistance to the development of a crack."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE 1 Bxf6! Bxf6 2 g4 Be6 3 d5 and the black bishop is trapped.

Principy of Throng, Holland, 3 New York-Mess & Royal, SAlanda, 4Chibago, Cubai 4. Los Angeles 3 (12mm). AMERICAN LEAGUE Control 5 Toronto 2: New York Yerkeas & Minescola 5 Karsan City 5 Boston 2: Sestile 6 Minesakes 5; Baltimore 7 Celdand 5; Anerhain 4 Chibago White Sox 1; Texas 8 Cleveland 7 BOWLS LEAMINGTON SPA: English women's Inter-county champlonshor. Semi-finets Semi-finets to Norfolk 118-108 (Somesset stops first D-test drew with R Buck-17-17-P. Kingdon 11, Smith 21-13; M Dyer lost to C Polington. 20-21; E Bessell, bi E Shorter 24-21; J Murrell lost to S Cuttle 16-17; J Young bit J Royfernes 20-19). Vorteshine bit Surrey 183-18 (Vorteshine stops first M Sestimotic lost to K Smith 21-24; A Haw bit S Andrews 24-12; J Pinder Jost to P Davis 17-25; B Adderson 15 C Dustie 34-11; P Nepler bt D Levis 23-14; B Stuttburgs first in D Hanlon 14-32).

CYCLING PESCARA, Italy: Mestactif Trophy (Pescara to Peacara, 203km): 1, F Vanderbrouche (Bel) 4th 54min 34sec; 2, D Nerdello (ti) same time; 3, C Fince (ti) at 8sec; 4, F Casagrande (ti) 20; 5, A Gontchenkov (Russi at Irnin 24eac.

FOOTBALL Sunday's late results

PRE-SEASON MATCH: Juvertus 3

Neucastie United 2.

GISPARAN LEAGUE Narisruhe SC 3 Werder

Brenan 1: VIL Bochum 1 Amininis Besteleti
D: FC Cologne 3 MSV Duteburg 2; Beyern

Munich 0 FC Kaiserslausem 1; Hensas

Rostrick 0 VE, Weißburg 1: BSC Bertin 1

Borussis Dorentund 1: SV: Hernburg 2

Borussis Dorentund 1: SV: Hernburg 1

Broussis Mightenglechech 2

FRENCH LEAGUE Guingarop 3 Cernes

1: Lans 3 Auserse 0: Lyons 0 FC Metz 1;

Merselties 3 Le Heisre 1: Mortpaller 1

Stephoung 1; Narriss 0 Bestin 1; Paris

Satin-German 2 Chalesurour 0.

BRAZIJAN LEAGUE São Paulo 1

Internacional 1; Gaurani 1 America 2

Bragantino 0 Goles 1; Vasce de Gerne 3

Bragentino 0 Februaries 3 Botalogo 1, Unico Sito Joeo 1 Juverturi 0.

EDBNSURGIt; Escopean unior champion-ships: Boye: Yosith highboard: 1. R-Kompilian (Russ) 308,25pts; 2. D Gognis, FP-9-28525; 3. A Higher (Horly (200-k), denior Infrapringboard: 1, S Konstantisov (Russ) 487,70m; 2. 1. Lockestin (Russ), 474,87; 3. T Walson (Ger) 472,25, Junior 3ra springboard: 1, Y Krounziny (Ith) 589,65pts; 2. Kouptrassov 541,75; 3. Lockestin 537, 10. Girls: Youth Im spring-board: 1, S Soo (GS) 294,65pts; 2. V Merocchi (fig 288,70; 3, H Finite; (Ger) 250,65; Youth 3ra springboard: 1, Y Saoutérina (Russ) 380,20pts; 2. A Kless (Ger) 325,95; 8. Soo 255,00, Junior; highboard: 1. | Knristnianue (Russ) 386,75pts; 2, S Serbina (Ith) 385,75; 3, D Kotzler (Ger) 374,60. FREESTYLE SKIING

MOUNT BULLER, Asstratic World Cup event Ment 1, E Bergourt (1/5) 242-53pis; 2. B. Seritley (1/5) 257-34; 3, J. Been (Car), 227-50; 4, K. Cobick (Car) 224-15; 5, d Sweet (Aux) 219-58; Women: 1, Dandan Gao (China) 179-85pts; 2, V. Brenner (Car), 189-80; 3, K. Menthall (Aux) 165.83; 4, C. Obider (Car), 165.54; 5, J. Cooper (Aus), 158.97.

GUDING MUSBANDS BOSWOFFITH: Institute licital cleans: Fifth and fixed day (142km quart: 27 completions of 37; 1, M Curring (1,54) 72-4, 882pts; 2, P Massec (0,510); 55, 2, St. 4, Rebbeck (1,546); 551, 904. Leading finel overall positions: 1, M Jordy (Pegastar) 4, 505 st. 2, D to Roux (Cirrus) 4,655; 3, P Fritche (1,54) 4,556.

TIBENHAM, Norfolit: Matternal 18th championshipps: Fifth day (514km quart: no completions): 1, 8 Nicholson (Vertus 2) 453,6 93; 3, D Hill (Vertus 2) 453,8 93; 4, Brogravich (1,55),450; 959. Overall leadings filter file days; 1, A Cafet (Vertus 2,4582pts; 2,481,490; 3, Bromwich 4,351; 4, Nicholson 4,333.

CONDORD, Messechusetts: BankBoaton Cleaste: Léading finel scoops (US unless stated): 203: H Invin 68, 67, 67, 205: J McGeb 88, 70, 67, 5 Wymn 71, 68, 66. Other scores: 209; J Bland (SA) 72, 69, 68. 201; Trevino 70, 71, 69, 212: R Charles (NZ) 74, 71, 67, 212: S Höbday (SA) 71, 73, 68; D

THIRD DIVISION Sebardey, August 9 ... 15 Norwich y Wolver X - 33 Chester v Lincoln 2 16 Oxford v Huddensfield 2 34 Colshester v D'Ingin 2 35 Eveter v Hardepool 1 35 Eveter v Hardepool 1 36 Leyton Orient v Cardiff X 37 Macc'field v Torquay 1 38 Mansifeld v Huli 2 17 Port Vale v Notint F 2. Coupon No. Baire, torocast : 18 OPR v Ipswich 1 19 Swindon v Crewe X FA PREMIERSHIP 1 Semsley v Wast Ham X 2 Blackburn v Derby X 3 Covertry v Chaissa 2 20 West Brom v Tranmers 1 38 Notice Co y Rochdale 39 Notice Co y Rochdale 40 Peterboro y Scratings 41 Rotherham y Sarnet 42 Soseboro y C'bridge 43 Streweby y D'ossier SECOND DIVISION 21 Blackpool v Liston 2 4 Eventon v C Palace

5 Leicesler v Aston Vijiz 22 Bristol R v Phymouth 1 23 Chesterfield v Walself 1: Newcastia v Shelf W X 25 Chington V Preson 2 26 Grinsby v Bristol City 2 27 Milwell v Bentlord 1 9 Wimbledon v Liverpool 2. SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP SECOND ROUND FIRST DIVISION 11 Bradford v Stockport 1 28 Nordworth v Birnouth 1
12 Bury v Reading 2 20 Southead v Cortests 1
13 Men Cay v Portsmouth 1 31 Westord v Buryley
14 Meddlesbro v Charles 1 45 Duniermene V Ayr phom v Stote 1 28 Nortempon v 2 mouth 1 45 Dunbarniers V AV 1 v Stockport 1 29 Oldman v York 1 46 East Elev Klimemock 2 Reading X 90 Southead v Cartesis 1 47 G Morton v Airchie X y V Portsmouth 1 31 Wastord v Burnley X 48 Livingston v Hearts 2 istro v Charlton 1 32 Wigan v Mycontos 1 49 Partick v Sirling 1

PREPAIR CHANGE frome tearns; Barreley, Blackform, Leeds, Newcastley, Buy, Non-Okham, Southand, Wigan, and Mancles-Resident Assert Cally, Middlesbrough, West Brom, School, Wigan, and Mancles-Resident Assert Cally, Middlesbrough, Wast Brom, School, Wigan, and Mancles-Resident Assert Cally, Middlesbrough, Wast Cally Colors, President Cally Not Change, Change Cally Ca HOMES: Britingham, Bracitord, Man-

HOCKEY

SOFIA: World chemisionships: Men't teeth relay: 3, 'Ratele (D Serpeso, E Zenovia, D Settloveny), 5,362ts; 2 Urited States 5,359; 3, Mesico 5,330; 4 Poland 5,273; 5, Hungary 5,170; 6, Kores 5,152.

MOTOR RALLYING

AUCRIAND: New Zealand Raily: Leading positions (aight stopes): 1, K Erksson (See, Subaru Impraca) Siv (Brain 53sec; 2, C Sainz; 50, Ford Escon) 3:19.01; 3, J Kanddusen (Fin, Ford Escon) 3:19.25; 4, R Sturm (RA, Millaublant Castema (F) 2:20.26; 5, P Bourna (NZ, Saberu Impraza) 2:23.06; 6, N Bastis (Aus, Toyota Casica) 3:27.18; 6, G Tiesles (Liu, Millaublant Casica) 3:29.26; 8, R Sufan (Arr, Toyota Casica) 3:20.26; 9, S Solose (NZ, Ford Escon) 3:21.18; 10, R Jones (NZ, Millaublant Lancer) 3:29.36; A Jones (NZ, Millaublant Lancer) 3:21.48 **POWERBOATING**

OSLO: World Class One offshore champ-lonship: Fifth heet 1, L. Phanson (Saudi Arabia) 180;ts; 2, A Naeser (UAE) 135; 3, S Al Tayer (UAE) 188. ROWING NOTTINGHAM: International meeting: Ju-normer: 1, Great Britain 127ps; 2, Franca 111; 3 agust, Tely and Setzentend 92, 5, reland 75, 8, Belgium 97, 7, Porkugal 46; 8, Holland 45, Amior women: 1, Great Britain 90pt; 2, France 77; 3, Setzentend 62; 4 equal, Belgium and Italy 52; 8, Jedand 31; 7, Holland 30; 3, Porkugal 18.

RUGBY LEAGUE World club championship Pool A

Pendith 32 St Helens 26
Peadith Thes: Caster, Dornic, Girdler 2,
Gower, Putetus. Goels: Girdler 4, St
Helens: Thire: Annold, Carninghem, Haigh,
Ling, Suttern. Goels: Goulding 3,
OTHER MATCHES: Pool & Leads Rhinos
14 Nicht Desenstand Coulogs 48: Settor
Rade 14 Adelaide Parris 12. 32 St Helens

Sharks 12. CEBSNOCK, Australia: Tour match Hunter Selection 32 Barle Young Lions 8. RUGBY UNION WANGANLI, New Zestenct Tour match: Under 18: Central Region Schools 29 Wales Schools 0.

SAILING GRAPHAM WATER: BT/KYA nations GRAFHAM WATER: BT/RVA national youth match-recing championships: Final positions; 7, A Richardson & Long Bison/AB-entocough, SC); 2, J Fox Pasissone(Tanesis: SC); 3, N Bater: (WarsashWarsash SC); 4, S Davis (Whotome/Poole YC); 5, W Story (Broadstona/Parissone YC); 6, A Heime (Botton/Delph 70); 7, I MRS (pole-den/Brotrem YC); 8, R Scott (Tarbert/Ferbert SC).

SQUASH Rio DE JANEBRO: Women: World jurior team" chemplonehig: First qualitying round: Pool A: New Zeeland bt Australia 2-1; Maleysia bt Germany 3-0, Pool B: England of Scotland 2-1 (Englan nermes first vi Laniesser hat to L. Harriston 0-9, 4-0; 9-1; 1-8; C Besurroot 6-; J Decland 3-7, 8-2, 10-8; 1, Briggs bt D Trad 9-3, 9-3, 8-0). Belgium 2, Spain 1; Pool C: Caracta bt

Wales 3-0 (Welsh names lifet: L Griffithe lost to K Patrick 5-9, 4-9, 5-9; G Benjamin lost to A Miller 2-9, 0-9, 6-9; A Vaughan lost to A Dh Mauno 7-9, 3-9, 2-9) France bt Weles 2-1 (Griffiths lost to I Stock 9-91, 2-9, 5-9; Benjamin lost to A Plorers 9-7, 0-9, 7-9, 0-9; A MicKersele bt N Boden 3-9, 9-2, 9-4, 9-2; Linited States bt Bracil 3-0; Canada bt United States bt Bracil 3-0; Canada bt United States 2-1, Pool D: South Africa bt Indiand 2-1 (frish names first: A Biate lost to J Thompson 0-9, 2-9, 5-9; S Fariey lost to J La Roux 0-9, 2-9, 3-9; C Healy bt C van Lieden 4-9, 3-9, 9-6, 10-9, 9-2) Egypt bt Damperk 3-9 SPEEDWAY

PSTERBOROUGH: Four-tesso champ-lone/lig: Finals: Effe League: Pesc-borough 27 Bradford 21: Belle Vue 15 Swendon 15. Premier League: Long Eston 28 Edinburgh 23, Oxford 17 Berwick 9. AMATEUR LEAGUE: Buston 36 Ryde 41 SWIMMING

SWIMMING

GLASGOW: European junior championships: Boyst Salurdey: Sackstroke: 100m:
1, D Ortega (Sp) 56:63sec, 2, P Poznak
(Bela) 56:98; 3, R Knoll (6e) 56:93.
Sutterfly: 200m: 1, A Poliskov (Russ) 2mn
09:2sec; 2, G Unghray (Hun) 20:14: 3,
R Greenwood (38) 2:02:86 4x 100m
resetyle: reley: 1, Greet Brass 3min
24:2sec; 2, G Unghray (Hun) 2:02:14: 3,
R Greenwood (38) 2:02:86 12:02:03; 2:02:86
Germany 3:25:98; 3, taly 3:25:27. Sunsiey:
Resetyle: 200m: 1, VLuhimann (Ger) (Inm
52:32sec; 2, T Kerelgarto (Hun) 1:52:45; 3,
M van Bochngan (Swe) 1:52:65; 15:00m: 1,
D Zavgorosiny (Ukr) (Smin 13:68sec; 2, J
Huenche (Ger) 15:26:22; 3, I Labrian (Fr)
15:36:20. Bresststroke: 200m: 1, P
Andrhan (Russ) 2:min 16:38sec; 2, A
Whitehead (38) 2:17:02: 3, R Sudrov
(Russ) 2:18:05:44:100m madely: 1,
Rossa 3min 46:55sec (chempionship
record): 2, Cermany 2:37:25; 3, Gest
Brasin 3:47:55. Gifte: Salurday: Freestyle:
200m: 1, C Potec (Flom) 2:min 00:41sec; 2,
J K Gestz; 2, H Stockfolaus (Ger) 8:40:69; 3,
Gestz 8:44:12. Bresststroke: 200m: 1,
Niklina (Ukr) 2mn 28:35sec (chempionship
record): 2, O Krawczyk (Pol) 2:33:13: 3, A
Pecai (Hun) 2:33:9, Medlay: 200m: 1, V
Rochlowa (Ukr) 2:39:59, Medlay: 200m: 1, V
Rochlowa (Ukr) 2:19:56; 3, K Jelonet (Pol)
2:20:10. Sundey: Freestyle: 400m: 1, C
Potec (Forn) 4:13:41. Brasststroke: 100m: 1, 1
Memmittow (Russ) 3:min 11:36sec; 2, A
Pecai (Hun) 1:11:58; 3, A Braszdowicz (Pol)
1:12:8, Butharfly: 100m: 1, F Outou (Bel)
1/mn 0:14:56; 3, Ukrains 4:18:21.

. · TENNIS MONTREAL Man's tournament Final: C Woodruff (US) bt G Kuerten (Br) 7-5, 4-6, 6-3,

CARLISBAD, California: Women's tour-nement: Finat: M Hingle (Switz) bit M Seles (US) 7-6, 6-4.

MAKARSKA, Croatia: Women's tour-nement: Finat: M Lucio (Cro) bit S Dopter (Austrie) 6-1, 6-4.

MAPIJA LANKOWITZ, Austria: Women's tournement: Openies Finatic M Bebel (Ger) bit G Leon-Gercia (Sp.) 6-3, 6-1; H Regione (Shorelda) bit P Schnyder (Switz) 0-8, 6-4, 6-2; M Sanchaz-Loverzo (Sp) w/o B Paulus (Austrie) 3-8, 7-5, 6-0. Semi-finals: Negyore bi Bebel 6-1, 7-6; Schett bit Semotez-Loverzo 6-4, 6-1. Finat: Schett bit Signotes bi Bebel 6-1, 7-6; Schett bit Signotes bi Bebel 6-1, 7-6; Schett bit Negyore 3-6, 6-2, 8-3.

NOTTINGHAM: Action World wheelchair

Negyovs 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.
NOTTINGHAM: Action World wheelchair team cur Mer: Semi-finale: United States of Great Britain 3-0; France of Australia 2-0 Fitast: United States of France 3-0 Third-fourth place: play-off: Alicitaite of Great Britain 2-0. Women: Sami-finale: Hotiand to Lepon 3-0; Belgium 10: France 2-1; Frust: Hetand of Belgium 3-0. Third-fourth place play-off: Jepan bi-France 2-1; Fourth-States and Company of Great Britain by United States 2-1. first day of my job here and last year, looked the most seeing how I felt on this track." impressive of all.

1,500 metres 100 metres Semi-finals

400 metres Semi-finals First four in each heat quality to line!

800 metres

Final

First mund

Kipketer eases past his first challenge Kipketer, who equalled Se-

WILSON KIPKETER, the world champion, eased through the first round of the 800 metres. Kipketer, Kenyanborn but a naturalised Dane, took the lead at the bell but any hopes that he might repeat his feat of breaking the world record in the heats, as relaxed and let the field come back to him. He finished in lmin 46.34sec.

"I did not want to become involved in a barging and rough race, so the answer was to go to the front and that way I wasn't going to get hurt. The lesson so far from these championships is that great athletes have been getting into trou-ble," Kipketer said.

"I had no intention of breaking the record. All I was doing

bastian Coe's 800 metres outdoor world record in Stockholm last month, was joined in the second round by Vebjorn Rodal, of Norway. who took the Olympic title in Atlanta with Kipketer absent after he refused to run under he did in the world indoors in the Kenyan flag, Mark Ever-March, were dispelled as he ett, of the United States, and the exciting Cuban. Norberto Tellez. Rodal, 24. a bronze medal-

winner in the 1995 world championships, looked impressive as he strolled over the line in Imin 47.58sec. "I took it easy out there but I feel good and ready to take on Kipketer. It was a slow time but the main point was to come through safely," Rodal said. Tellez, who produced the

fastest ever qualifying time for today was going out on the an Olympic 800 metres final

Invisible man still desperate to emerge from the shadows

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

STEVE BACKLEY not only wants the javelin gold medal from the world championships here today, he regards it as imperative. "I need it." Backley said, almost desperate. Only then will he cease to become the figure he describes as "the invisible man".

Backley recognises that, for all he has achieved, he must take a global title if he is to enjoy lasting recognition of the kind which Jonathan Edwards. Linford Christie, Colin Jackson and Sally Gunnell are guaranteed. Backley, aged 28. a former world record holder, International Amateur Arhletic Federation athlete of the year, and has been Commonwealth and European champion for the last seven years, but still he feels นทร์นไม่ไled.

Finishing second in the Olympic Games last year was an extraordinary achievement, given that three months earlier he had undergone surgery on an Achilles tendon and was on crutches for six weeks. But runner-up will not do him this time. "I won an

TIMETABLE

TODAY: 08.00: Decathlon, 100m 06.10: Women's discus qualifying round group A 06.30; Women's 400m hurdles first round 07.00: Decathlon, long pump 07.16: 110m hurdles, first round 07.40; Women's discus qualifying round group B 06.30: Decathlon shot. 15.45: Decathlon high jump 18.00; Men's 800m second round 18.30; Women's shot qualifying round how groups 16.40; Men's layelin linal, 16.40; 110m hurdles second round, 17.00; Men's long jump final 17.40; Yoman's 1.500m has 17.55; Women's 10,000m final 18.40; Decathlon 400m 19.05; Men's 400m final

Olympic silver medal from nothing, no training." Backley

He steps in the arena here having enjoyed his best year's training since 1991 and and he would be hugely disappointed to finish second again.

Jan Zelezny is a competitor who has stood as tall among javelin throwers as Michael Johnson has among 400 metres runners in recent years. without having fallen this season. Zelezny, from the Czech Republic, is the world and Olympic champion, and possesses a world record which, for now at least, appears out of the reach of other

would have cleaned up," Backley said. He was not only second to Zelezny in Atlanta but at the world championships, in Gothenburg, in 1995. The margin at the Olympics was only 72 centimetres.

It was the difference between recognition and another one of those occasions when Backley is applauded for a day then forgonen.

Though he would be wrong to admit it. even to think it.



to win again here. However, the Briton is probably the best placed to take advantage should his rhythm desert him.

It is hard to see beyond Backley, Kostas for the gold medal. Henry. from Germany, is always a lively competitor, and Gatsioudis is the host nation's best hope for a gold medal during the nine days of these championships. Backley, though, thinks that the presence of Gatsioudis may work in his fayour,

The last occasion that Backley defeated Zelezny when an international gold medal at stake was at the 1994 Helsinki. Finland is the spiritual home of javelin throwers and no event generated a greater atmosphere among

Backley is hoping that enhome man may prove too much for Zelezny. "I am pleased there is a Greek thrower involved," Backley said. "It will be similar to Helsinki -- a packed stadium screaming and shouting. I do not think Jan likes that."

Zelezny, whose world record is 98.48 metres, threw 88.16 to win the Olympics. "I think it is going to take the distance that won last year just to get a medal here." Backley said.

looked more comfortable than Backley in the qualifying round, but there was little to choose between the distances that they achieved.

Gunnell makes her entoday, in the first round of the 400 metres hurdles, knowing that it will, more than likely, be her last appearance in a global championships. For Cunnell, who won the world title in 1993 with a world record, retirement beckons at the end of this or next season.

No longer is Gunnell able to live with the best and when, in all probability. Deon Hemmings. from Jamaica, and Tonja Buford-Bailey and

lead the chase for medals in the final on Friday, Gunnell will be pleased if she is part of the final. Such has been her form of late, and her illfortune with injury in recent stage would be a triumph.

Colin Jackson set a world record when winning the world title in 1993, at the same world championships in which Gunnell reached her zenith. Jackson joins Tony Jarrett, who has finished second in each of the last two world championships, in attempting to give Britain a medal in the 110 metres hurdies that begin today. Neither has been in his best form this

O'Sullivan seeking reversal of fortune

be digging out their medals, in



O'Sullivan: hopeful

SONIA O'SULLIVAN will today attempt to mark the end of the worst 12 months of her competitive career when she appears in the final of the women's 1,500 metres. However. Ireland's children may

case of disappointment.

After O'Sullivan returned home from the Atlanta Ohmpic Games last year, having attempted two events and reached the final in neither. she was surprised to receive medals through the post from children who, giving theirs to her, expressed sympathy in a way that touched her. Having won the European 3,000 metres title in 1994, a year in which she set a world 2,000 metres record and European 3,000 metres record, and won the gold medal for the 5.000

metres in the world championship in 1995, she arrived in Atlanta as one of the hottest of favourites.

O'Sullivan, though, soon found herself struggling in her 5,000 metres heat at a pace that should have represented a jog for her. She dropped out. came back for an attempt at the 1,500 metres and failed to reach the final in that event as well. Medical tests appeared

to indicate a virus. Attempting to salvage a treasure from the wreckage. O'Sullivan went to the International Amateur Athletic Federation grand prix final in Milan in September. but failed to finish the 5,000 metres. After rest, followed by a good winter's training. She went to the world cross-country championships in Turin in March, believing that she could win. She finished ninth.

and, with it, a chance to start again, but still the old form was missing. She finished fourth in the Paris grand prix. and eleventh in the British grand prix in Sheffield in June. That was her last race before coming here. She withdrew from grand prix races in Oslo and Nice, concerned at her form.

A new track season arrived

Given these difficulties. O'Sullivan will no doubt carry uncertainties in her head as she goes to the start today, but the absence of Kelly Holmes, the Briton who is fastest 1,500 metres runner in the world this year, and of Svetlana Masterkova, Russia's double Olympic champion, has eased the route to a medal. Such is the lack of an

obvious favourite, O'Sullivan must be hopeful. Though it is difficult to forecast. Kutere

Dulecha, from Ethiopia, seems certain to be a strong contender within a year of winning the world junior title. In the men's 800 metres yesterday, only Andy Hart, of Britain's three representa-

gave Morceli a trouble-free

route to the gold.

tives, survived the first round. Robert Hough, Britain's European Cup champion, was eliminated in the semi-linals of the 3,000 metres steeple-In the 1,500 metres semi-

finals, John Mayock progressed to the final, but the field on Wednesday is stacked Schumann (Three Florrances, Op 22): Brahms, (Violin Sonata No 1 in G, Op 78) (r) 5.00 Nauka: Mechine. Tommy Pearson talks to the Baroque dance expert, Lucy Graham (r) against him. Hicham El Guerrouj, from Morocco, and Noureddine Morceti, from Algeria, are likely to be the main protagonists. El Guerrouj appears ready to make amends for his fall in the Olympic final, an incident that

Nebiolo lays blame on

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STAN GREENBERG

Athens organisers PRIMO NEBIOLO, president of the International Amparticularly as Athens is atateur Athletic Federation tempting to win the right to (IAAF), has blamed poor orgstage the Olympic Games in anisation by officials in Ath-2004. Evangelos Savramis, ens for the lack of spectators president of the organising

world championships on Sunday night. The Olympic Stadium was half-empty for the blue-riband event of athletics, won by Maurice Greene, despite the fact that the Greek organisers had said beforehand that the

at the 100 metres final at the

event was sold out. "It was very disappointing." Nebiolo said yesterday. "The organisers did not do a great promotional job before the championships. They did not understand." However, Nebiolo's re-

Savramis was also unimpressed by suggestions from the IAAF president that the stadium could have been filled by giving out free tickets to members of the armed forces. Our soldiers are not there to fill stadiums but to assure the defence of the

committee, put the blame on

Nebiolo, saying that he had refused to allow them to put

the event back a month de-

spite it falling in the middle of

the traditional Greek holiday

TELEVISION CHOICE

A tale of European boars

Once they dominated the forests of Britain but wild boar have been extinct in this country for 300 years. So to show what we have been missing the cameras have to go to mainland Europe, and particularly Russia and Poland, where the species still thrives. The film follows the annual rituals of mating and breeding, set against the changing seasons. In the sub-zero temperatures of winter the boar lives off its reserves of fat and whatever food it can find. In early March the sow spends hours building a nest, into which she burrows before giving birth. In a couple of months the piglets are big enough to travel by themselves. By the autumn the male hoar starts looking for a mate and the cycle resumes. The camerawork is, as expected,

Space Cadets Channel 4, 6.00pm

The science fiction quiz continues to provide undernanding fun, with the contestants doing their best to contrive spontaneous writicisms and sometimes succeeding. As with most television sometimes succeeding. As with most television outzers these days it is more important to raise laughs than to know the answer. In any case, wrong answers are often familier than the real ones. The Ferengi Brothers from Deep Space Nine, in the guise of the actors Armin Shunerman and Max Grodenchik, are the guest panellists this week, along with the comediants Trevor Neal and Simon Hickson. The show's reliance on formats from other quizzes, notably A Question of Space. from other quizzes, notably A Question of Sport, Have I Got News For You and Call My Bluff, is partly offset by the dottiness of the film clips which the teams are asked to identify. In the creation of

Channel 4, 9.00pm A dark episode from Stalin's rule of the Soviet Union underlines that regime's total contempt for the value of human life. At the end of the Second Workl War Stalin decided on a grandiose new project to build a railway line across the Arctic Circle, it was ostensibly to defend the Soviet Union's northern borders. Some detected a more sinister

A wild boar protects her young (BBCi)

purpose, to link all the gulag camps in the north. Certainly the camps provided the labour, and this was merclessly exploited in dreadful conditions. Survivors recall their experiences in cold, appalling detail. One recalls men being so badly fed that they licked the grease from machinery thinking it was butter. Conservative estimates say 60,000 died. The death and suffering was all in vain. Given the terrain the project was never viable and with Stalin's death it was abandoned.

Crimewatch UK.

If there is more self-congratulation than usual in tonights programme, that is because Crimewarch wants to tell us how successful it has been in helping to bring villains to book. The show is hardly, as the presenter Nick Ross claims, more successful than Sherlock Holmes. He solved all his crimes and did not have television to call on. But Crimewatch appeals have led to more than 500 arrests, of which 40 have been for murder. Three of the successful interventions are recalled tonight. One resulted in the capture of a paedophile, another to the arrest of a man who had threatened to firebomh a supermarket. The third case concerned a bogus policeman who conned elderly people out of their pension money. The programme offers advice from the Memopolitan Police to those who may find themselves similarly targeted. BBC1, 9.30pm.

RADIO CHOICE

Best Footlights Forward

Radio 2, 9.30pm Presenter Graeme Garden, rattling off the list of famous names which rounds off the history of Cambridge University Footlights Society, should be a likely choice to commit the whole of the London telephone directory to tape if ever such an undertaking were contemplated. Yet, seemingly endless though Garden's catalogue is, it only scratches the surface in reminding us of the undergraduate writers, directors, and actors for whom the Footlights Reme has been the launch whom the Footlights Revue has been the launch pad for a distinguished career. Garden is a former president of the Footlights Society, so he wears two hats tonight — Garden the man who once held the Footlights reins and Garden whose vokes has made

me chorde through many a radio comedy.

Roadshow, Live from Clacton 12.30pm Newsbest 12.45 Jo Whiley 2.00pm Nicky Campbel 4.00 Kewin Greening 6.15 Newsbest 6.30 Evening Session with Steve Lamaco, 8.30 Digital Update 8.40 John Peel 19.30 Mary Anne Hobbs 1,60em Claire Sturgess 4.00 Chris Moyles

RADIO 2

8,00mm Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Wake Up To Wogan 9.20 Keif Bruce 11.30 Jimmy Young 1.30pm Angels Rippon 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Carl Davis Claims 8.00 Night Ogden 6:00 Jazz Soons 9.30 Seel Footigist Forward: Sec Choice 10.30 Richard Alinson 12.05mm Stave Madden 3.00

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00mm Morning Reports 6.00 The Breaklast Programme 9.00 Sporting Questions? Live from Highbury 9,00 Strike Out 8,30 The 21st Century and How to Survive it 10,00 News Talk 11,00 News Extra 12,00 Alter Hours 2,00em Up All Night with Rhod Sharp

TALK RADIO

5.90em Chris Ashley and Sandy Warr 7.00 Paul Ross 8.00 Scott Chisholm 12.00 Lonsine Kelly 2.00pes Toneny Boyd 4.00 Peter Deeley 7.00 Anna Raebum 10.00 Jernes Whale 1.00em Mile Dickin

WORLD SERVICE At times in BST. News on the hour 6.00em Newshour 6.30 Europe 7.15 World Athletic Championships 7.30 India: A People Partitioned 8.15 Off the Shalf 8.30 What's News 8.46 The Lisb 9.00 News in German 9.10 Pause for Thought 9.15 Earth, Air, Fire And Water 9.30 Everywomen 10.00 Business 10.16 The Crohestra 10.30 Literature File 10.45 Sport 11.30 On Screen 12.30pes India: A People Partitioned 1.00 News in German 1.65 Business 1.15 British Today 1.30 Health Matter's 2.00 Newshour 3.06 Cuffook 3.30 Multimack 4.05 Sport 4.15 Earth, Air, Fire And Water 4.30 News in German 5.00 Europe Today 5.30 Business 5.45 Sirtlah Today 6.15 The World Today 1.30 Pours in German 6.45 Sport 7.30 Proms 97 8.25 Pause for Thought 8.30 Megamia 9.00 Newshour 10.05 Business 19.15 Britain Today 19.30 Medicism Live 11.30 The World Today 11.45 Sport 12.05em Outdook 12.30 Megamia 1.30 The Farming World 1.45 Britain Today 2.30 Discovery 3.30 Meridian Live 4.05 Business 4.15 Sport 4.30 Europe

Radio 3, 7.30pm

As I expected, the headline writers pulled an old chestnut out of the bag when Erich Korngold's violin concerto was given a London performance recently. "More corn than gold" they smirked, as if they were prospectors who had fust struck a new vein and wanted to show how clever they were. I seem to have spent half my life defending the concerto, and I shall certainly tune in to it again tonight when Gil Shaham plays it at the Proms. Lushiy orchestrated it may be, but since when have hummable tunes been a sin? And since when have hummable tunes been considered bad taste in the

hummable times been considered bad taste in the concert hall yet good taste when whistled by the

CLASSIC FM 4,00em Sally Peterson 6,00 Alan Mann 9.00 Henry Kell 7,00 Newsright 7.30 Sonate. Boletcheu (Sonate to Flute and Harp) 8.00 Evening Concert. Bjornsson (Sonate to: Plano in D minor, Op 3); Yormis (Trase Estonian Game Songs); Copland (Clarinet Concerto); Avo Pari (Stebet Meter) 10.00 Michael Mappin 2.00am Concerto) (7)

VIRGIN RADIO 7.00mm Russ 'n' Jono 10.00 Grahem Dane 1.00pm Nick Abbot 4.00 Nicky Home 6.00 Paul Coyte (FM) / Robin Barks (AM) 10.00 Janey Lee Grace 2.00em Richard Porter

5.15 in Tune, with Petroc Trelewny, Walton (Overbure: Scapino); Copland (El Salon Mesico); Dvořák (Serenade lor Stringal); Sulliven (Overbure: Yeornan of the Guard)
 7.30 BBC Prome 97. See Choica. Gil Shaham, violin.

6.08um On Air, with Andrew McGregor, Includes Handel (Concerto Grosso in F. Op 6 No 2): Lisot (Piano Concerto No 1 in E flat); Satire (Gnossienne No 1); Talife (Spern in Alium); Rossini (Overture: The Thieving Magpie). Schubert (Soneta in A. D821, Arpeggione)

9.00 Morning Collection, with Penny Gore: Includes Villa-Lobos (Pive Preludes); Poulenc (Piula Sonata); Netsen (Saga-Drom)

19.00 Musical Encounters, with Mark Rowlinson. Haydin (Auf Starkern Fittiche Schwinget sich der Adler Stotz, Die Schöptung); Beethoven (Piano Soneta in Fisherp, Op 78); Bech (Tho Soneta in G. BW/1038); Haydin (Piano Trio in G. H.XV 25, Gypsy Trio, 2nd and 3rd myts); Bech (Pennesia and Fugue in G. minor, BW/542)

12.00 Proms Composer of the Weels Brahmer

1.00pm Newes; Sustmere Ensemble. Penny Gore introduces a racital by the Brindlet Quertet. Beethoven (String Quertet in E flat, Op 74, Harp); Bartok (Siring Quertet in E flat, Op 74, Harp); Bartok (Siring Quertet in E flat, Op 74, Harp); Bartok (Siring Quertet in Balaudet, plano, Toby Spence, tenor, and Nathara Berg, bass, BBC Symphony Chorus and Orchestra, under Jiri Belohtavet. Brahms (Gesang der Perzen); Chopin (Piano Concerto No 2 in Fiminor); Schubert (Massin A flat, D678) (r)

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d the Guard)

7.30 BBC Prome 97. See Choice. Gil Shehem, violin, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, under Yakov Kreizberg, Mozart (Symphony No 35 in D, K385, Heffner), Korngold (Violin Concerto) 8.20 Marie Tellichiet. The American Firebird, One of the world's greatest dancers talks about the role she has played in dence this century 8.40 Concert, part two Markevich (Rebus); Stravinsky (Suite: The Frebird, 1919)

9.50 Five Poests for 50 Years: Ultrasound, by Kathleen Jamie. The Scotlish poet charts her pregnancy and the birth of her first child (2/5)

10.19 Mesic for Orgas. Susen Landele plays French music on the unrestored 1884 Cavaille-Coll organ in the Abbey of St Etlenne in Casn. Includes Tournemirs, ed Duruflé (Fartisisie-Improvisation sur "L'Ave Maris Stella"); Messican (Méditation No 5-sur le Mystère de La Seinte Trinité); Vierne (Symphony No 1 in D minor, 6th myl)

10.45 The Errey of the World. The first of three programmes in which Humphrey Carpenter-explores the history of BBC Racio 3. Celebrities recall how the Third Programme changed their lives, includes contributions from Peter Maxwell Davis, Handle Printer and Michael Tippiet (f)

12.30 err Jazz Notes. Miles Davis and Bobby Nacketi feature in tonight's survey of turnopters

1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod, Indudes 1.00 Symphony Orchester, under Antoni Wir and radio Symphony Orchester, under Antoni Wir

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW) 6.00 News Briefing 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, with John Humphrys and Sue MacGregor. Includes Thought for the Day 8.45 Core Coren. Turnes columnist Alan Coren reads from his new book, A Bit on the Side 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Call Edward Stourton, Telephone 0171-580 4444 with your questions for the guest

0171-580 4444 with your questions for the guest of the day
10.00 Newes; The Fool Who Stays or the Fool Who Gees Away. Anthony Minghelia, who won an Occar for The English Patient, talks to fellow emigrants and residents about what draws them to the late of Wight
10.00 Delity Service (LW)
10.30 Woman's Hour (FM), with Diana Madil 11.30 Medicine Now. Geoff Watts reports on the current state of health care
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer news and

current state of health care

12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer news and current affairs with Alice Bear.

12.25pm Wordly Wise. The penellists Jonathan James-Moore, Susan Jeffreys. Jim Tavere and Richard Vranch explore the origins of words. Hosted by Peter Hobday 12.55 Weather

1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke

1.40 The Archers (f) 1.55 Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Sci-FI — Fiction Science not Science Fiction. The geneticist Staye Jones shows how his favourite iterature has been influenced by scientific trinking. He uses Flann O'Brien's comic novel The Third Policeman, which was published 30 years ago, as an example

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2.30 Just the Part. The soprano Karia Melbia talks to
the Times opera critic Hodney Milnes about
singing Elisabeth in Vertil's Dan Carlos (4/5)

4.00 News 4.05 Kateldoscope. Tim Marlow examines writing about history as intesting Revolution by Orlando Riges who the W.H. Smith award and The History of the World by Martin Gilbert is published.
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6.30 Wonderfund Girls. The third of a four-part comedy sedes writien by Mariemae Carey. With Fibris Belt, Wendy Seager and Tom Smith (1)
7.00 News 7.06 The Archara
7.20 Prison Beltalia. Brandan O'Trial, the former governor of Strangeways and Risley, wonders if yet another history start can be made in the prison system.

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8.00 Science Now. A look at the latest scientific developments with Afun Lewis (r).

8.30 in Living Colour. Back and Asian perspectives on issues in the UK. With Trevor Philips (5/5).

9.30 in Tosoth. Peter White with news and leatures for visually impaired people.

9.30 Kestedoscope (r) 9.29 Weather.

10.30 The World Tosight, with Jeremy Hame.

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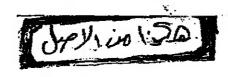
11.30 A History of Branch in Six Menses (Fit). Lesie Forbes travels through the past in search of good food (4/5) (r).

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12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service.

FREQUENCY GUIDE RADIO 1. FM 97.8-69.8. RADIO 2. FM 86.0-90.2. RADIO 3. FM 90.2-92.4. RADIO 4. FM 92.4-94.5; LW 198; MW 720: RADIO 5 LIVE. MW 683, 909. WORLD SERVICE, MW 648; LW 198 (12.45-6.55em). CLASSIC FM. FM 100-102. VIRGIR RADIO, FM 105.8; MW 1197, 1215. TALK RADIO, MW 1053, 1089. Television and radio findings compiled by Pater Dear, Ion Hughes, Recembry Smills, Scient Thomson, Jane Gragory and John McNemers.



Not consonant with widening his audience

switched on your telly to watch BBC2's latest Summer Dance offering, called have always quite liked modern CRWDSPCR, and were joked to dance but never felt they had fully discover that it wasn't after all grasped the vocabulary, it is discover that it wasn't after all grasped the vocabulary, it is shout folk dancing in one of those disconcering to discover that discrivovvelled Welsh villages like when transcribed in a more familiary but about the internal phase it is spelt making of a new dearest of the New York-based choreographer Merce Contingham. Its pronounced crowd spacer, since you ask. This vowel starvation was the only really jarring note in Elliot Caplan's film. It reminded you of those vowel-free job adverts you used to see in London Under-ground trains: "If u cn rd ths u cld peur a curpte pregramme nd ge a gd

to year interest BED

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Merce is going the right way about winning over modern-dance agnostics, whose basic critical attitude to contemporary dance can be summed up in the phrase I may not exactly sure, since we mostly

ike me you probably not understand it, but I sure as hell switched on your telly to know I couldn't get my body into that position!" Even for those who GRWDSPCR- It is the sort of thing that makes you give up in despair, having decided that the whole thing may be pretentious RBBSH.

Cunningham seemed to be doing much of his choreographing on a computer; pressing buttons sent multicoloured dancers gyrating and bouncing around the computer screen, like a rather balletic version of Donkey Kong. Capian also captured the way You can't help wondering if Mark Lancaster's jockey inspired deree is going the right way about costume designs and John King's winning over modern dance agwoven into Comningham's dance movements to create ... well, I'm

saw the making of CRWDSPCR rather than CRWDSPCR itself. · I think we did, anyway. You can't always rell with modern dance. It could be that watching Cunningham eating hoummos and pitta bread in the corner of his huge sun-washed studio was part of the performance.

To amaleurs, watching men and women making startling patterns with their bodies is pretty much like overhearing Italians gabbling away at the next table in a cafe in Rome: itall sounds pretty enough, even if you might not be able to understand every word of the

You wouldn't be able to hear much of the conversation, anyway. above the clang of King's score, which sounds like a rather timeless rumble when you hear it in the isolation of his recording studio. But when you hear it as a REVIEW

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Joseph



backdrop to Cunningham's dance movements you realise that it really is a tuncless rumble.

The programme had a bit of cara spice in that one of the dancers in Cumingham's company was called Michael Cole. I kept an eye out to see if it was the same Michael Cole who was once the BBC's royal correspondent and is now chief spokesman for the Harrods boss Mohamed Al Fayed.

I couldn't spot him for sure, but he making whoopee with a schoolgirl. would have the legs for it. There was a keen attempt to

keep Welshness out of Tiger Bay as well. Or TGR BY as Merce Cunningham might put it. But after three episodes, BBCl's newest soap still seems too slippery to get hold of. There are certainly no sheep, no miners, no male voice choirs, but there isn't much suspense either. Instead there is screaming, plenty of shouting and some lip-biting. Last night Betty got buried, but not before 16-yearold Jodie - who wears alarming multicoloured nail varnish on nails so long they would make a mole envious - slid into bed with 40-year-old Roy. Again. Roy is a man who plays sex scenes with the duvet pulled right under his neck. giving the impression that he didn't have time to undress when he was called to the set. Or perhaps his mum always comes to tuck her boyo up, even when he's

The publicity that preceded this series boasted: "It will be the first time since Hayley Mills's appearance in the 1958 film Tiger Bay that Cardiff has truly starred in a major way." Maybe there was a

reason. It's just a theory. atching All Mod Cons: Just Switch On (BBC2) it was hard to decide which had changed more since the 1950s - the world of housework following the arrival of time-saving electrical appliances such as washing machines, or the world of vision advertising, which was then still peopled by women who delivered their lines as if they were taking their final elocution exam at Lucie Clayton's finishing school. Your sawspns stay dean, your kitchen stays clean and the err you breathe stays frish," said the posh lady selling the virtues of cooking with electricity. And wasn't that

Katie Boyle in those ads that chirruped: "Hoover beats as it sweeps as it cleans

On the doorstep, however, hardselling was as common as Mansion's Cardinal Red tile polish. Vacuum-cleaner salesmen seduced housewives into buying a Hoover with a sales pitch that involved sucking up carpet dirt through a handkerchief tied to the end of the Hoover's suction tube and showing this filthy hanky to the startled woman. "Have you ever had a fire?" he'd ask her. "No." "Have you got fire insur-ance?" "Well, yes." "So, Madam. you've got fire insurance even though you've never had a fire, but you haven't got a Hoover even though you can now see the dirt that poses a daily threat to your children's health." OK, so it wouldn't secure him the post of Wykeham Professor of Logic at Oxford, but it seemed to shift

CHANNEL S ON SATELLITE

7.30 Havakazoo (6657766) 8.90 The Enid Blyton Adventure Series (3/3) (r)

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tary series about the 1930s (6/10)

(33849582) 12.00 The Bold and the Beautiful (2083124) 12.30pm Femily

1.00 5 News (22739143) 1.05 Sunset Beach (T) (1947679) 2.00 5's Company

3.30 A Prize of Arms (1961, b/w) with Stanley Baker, Helmut Schmid and Tom Bell. A crime thriller about a plot to staal a British

Army payroll bound for North Africa. Directed by Cliff Owen (7935292)

6.00am 5 News Early (7931476)

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5.30 100 Per Cent (5319143)

6.00 Move on Up (T) (5316056)

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(5428940) 10.45 Caron Cooper's Cooking with Confidence Bailing (2490834) -11.00 News (T) and weather (2261785) 11.05 Due South (r) (F) (9785196)

11.50 Good Neighbours (6020259) 12.00 News (T) and weather (4836785) 12.05pm Wipeout (r) (T) (8095389) ... 12.35 Neighbours (T) (1327259) ... 1.00 News (T) and weather (55292) 1.30 Regional News (88283475) 1.40 Columbo: Negative Reaction (1974)
Photographer Dick Van Date, plots: the elaborate murder of his wife (r) (#358940)

3.10 Quincy (r) (1220056) 3.55 Well Worth a Visit: Russell Coinc Museure. (7332679)

4.00 Popeye (2389563) 4.10 Rugrais (2985835): 4.35 Pirates (4545704) 5.00 Newsround (T) (2998105): 5.40 Bytes Grove (I) (T) (3849018) 5.35 Neighboure (r) (T) (797921)

8.00 News (1) and visather (376). 6.30 Regional News (308) 7.00 Holidays Out Kate Humble learns to play polo in Devon, Jayrie Evens visits Stapleford Park, Leicestershire: Dougle Vipond visits Amsterdam, Plus: a bedand-breaktest report from southern

England and Cowes Week (5740) 7.30 EastEnders, Sarah falis to reach a compromise with Ted (T) (292)

8.00 Micros Wildlife on One Desid Attenborough explores the world by the wild boar (1) (6960) 8.30 Keeping Up Appearance Flyacitin volunteers to clean the local church: With Patricks Routledge (†) (1) (5495)

9.00 News (1) and weather (1037) 9.30 Crimewatch UK Special ecition combining appeals for

look back at how criminals were brought to book (f) 947124) WALES: 9.30.
Answering Back (35853) 10.00 Crimewatch UK (909124) 10.45 Made in Wales (443308) 10.15 The X Files: Dod Kelm Mulder and Scully get strended aboard a Navel

destroyer in Norway white investigating why its crew have died of premature ageing (r) (T) (320/196) 11.00 You Decide John Humphrys invites a studio audience to decate a topical issue

(1987) Tongue-in-cheek esplonage romp, staming Raquel Welch es a gramorous sky-diving spy assigned to retrieve a bomb-triggering device lost in the Mediterrenean. Directed by Listle H. Martinson; (845740) WALES: 11.55. The X Files (263389) 12.40 Fil.M. Rethorn (457815). 2.15. News headlines and weather (1791525)

1.30am Weather (3675475)

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BBC2 6.00 am O U: Fontainebleet: the Changing

image of Kingship (2148899) 6.25 World Championship Athletics Early action includes Sally Gunnel in the 400m hardles and the opening events in the decathor. Plus, the coverage of the first round of the fight's 110m hurdles leaturing both Togy Jamett and Coan Jackson (79700211)

8.00 Noddy (f) (8684037) 8.10 Recoons (f) (1) (556887) 9.05 Spiderman (r) (5568679) 9.36 Glad Rags (r) (r) (42143) 10.00 Reter Pen and the Pirates (r) (r) (7415414) 10.25 Ositie Doke (4796834) 10.35 Spider (r) (2401940) 10.45 Telaubbles (r) (687650)

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5 The Natural World Classics: Atlantic Sentin 2— Ocean of Light, Speciacifer totage of some of the word and wonderful file jorns found inhabiting the Atlantic ocean 49 (8150872) 3.00 News; Regional Nave and weather (2705853) 3.05 Child Linguis Two (r) (4580230) 3.26 Lifetimes; In 3 Day: Tim Darby (r) (27(6569)

3.30 World Championship Athletics Live action from Athens, Steve Backley in the final of the men's lavelin; Kelly Holmes in the women's 1,500m. Plus, the conclusion of the women's 10,000m and men's long tump as well as the second round of the men's 800m (1788124)



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8.30 Ainsley's Barbecue Bible (5/6) The unique flavours of Jameica including a dish, jerk pork (3037) · ·

9.00 Leaving of Liverpool Drama set in the 1950s. Two chikiren are uprooted from Liverpool, and sent to Australia. With Christine Tremerco, Kevin Jones and Frances Barber (1/2) (r) (T) (3768) 10.28 Video Nation Shorts (845389)

10.30 Newsnight (I) (17287.1) 11.15 Summer Dance: Nymphees. A full-length work by Robert Cohan, set to

11.50 Animated 2 (673872) 12.65em Pletypus Men New comady series (8526902)

12,30 Learning Zone: OU: Building by Numbers (77877) 1.00 Regressing to Quality (74341) 1.30 Errors Aren't Forever (80490) 2.00 Summer. Nights (74099) 4.00 Languages (33167)

6,00em GMTV (7945327) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw (r) (T) (5559921) 9.55 Judge Judy (T) (3427747)

10.20 News (T) (6212495) 10.25 Regional News (T) (6211765) 10.29 HTV Crimestoppers (6211766)

10.30 Maritys and Me (1991) staring Susan
Griffiths, Terry Moore and Sandy McPeak.
Dramatication of journalist Robert State's
alleged love affair with the acreen
goddess. Directed by John Patterson
(51288969)

12.20pmRegional News (4832969) 12.30 News (T) and weather (1313056). 12.55 Shortland Street (1398747) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (14336308)

1.50 Liz Earle's Lifestyle The healing properties of herbs (T) (96106292) 2.20 The Private Life of Princese Diana (r) 3.20 News (1) (2712143)

3.25 Regional News (T) (2711414) 3.30 The Riddlers (r) (5465817) 3.40 Ozzie the Owl (6817747) 3.50 Zot the Dog (8948259) 4.00 Scooby Doo and Scrappy Doo (r) (2314259) 4.10 The Twisted Tales of Felb; the Cat (T) (2303143) 4.20 Captain Star (8280227) 4.45 The Scoop (8588216)

5.10 Highway to Heaven: Inner Limits Jonathan and Mark offer their help to a family whose life revolves around their disabled son. With Michael Landon (2/2) 5.40 News (1) and weather (963037)

6,00 Home and Away (r) (T) (714124) -8.25 HTV Weather (616143) 6.30 The West Tonight (1) (476) 7.00 Emmerdale Kim decides the time has come to make a stand and Lise lays the law down with Albert and Marion (T)

7.30 People and Pets New sades focusing on the relationship between humans and Their pets, presented by Janny Hull.
Tonight, the mysterious disappearance of cats in a Gloucestershire village and a

rabbit with a middle ear infection (360) 8.00 The Bill: These Foolish Things When a ched from its oram, a seed case of blackmail ensues (1) (1056) 8.30 The Paranormal World of Paul

McKenna Includes the results of paint Robin Lown's observations on the paint prints of a mystery guest (whose identity will be revealed), and a Hungarian strongman who can, with a rope clenched in his teeth, pull three loaded buses (T) (9993) 9.00 A Few Good Men (1992) Navy lawyers

Tom Cruise and Demi Moore are assigned to defend two young Marines accused of murdering a colleague, but accused of murdering a colleague, but their investigation uncerths evidence of corruption in high places — with tough commanding officer Jack Nicholson their prime suspect. Directed by Rob Relner. Continued after the News (T) (3747)

10.00 News at Ten (1) (64722) 10,30 Regional News (T) (459969) 10.40 A Few Good Man Concluded

12.15mm Short Story Cinema (38867) 12,45 Camai Knowledge (r) (106322) 1.45 Late and Loud (102506) 2.45 The Chart Show (r) (4863032) 3,40 International Motor Racing (r) (T) (6499089)

4.35 The Time, the Place (r) (7067109)

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12.15am Highlander (9979341) 1.10 Film: Love Among Thieves (204186) 2.55 The Paul Ross Show (8141032)

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12.05pm California Dreams (r) (7564143) 12.30 My So-Called Life (r) (T) (9934230)

1.40 It's All Happening (1963) Pop musical with Tommy Steele, Michael Medwin, Russ Conway, Marion Ryan, John Barry,

9.00 Espresso (6605476) 10.00 Erclusive (r) (9124853) 10.20 Hot Property (r) (T) risotto, poached halibut Viennoise: chocolate fruit tart (T) (582) 11.00 Leaza (2229653) 11.50 Double Espresso

Greg Proops (T) (786)

Space Cadets Cosmic comedy quiz presented by

7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (569292) 7.50 Opera Makers Behind the scenes at Glyndebourne (527230)

(4/6) (T) (9698) 8.30 Brookside Danny tries to scupper his tather's romantic plans. Elane and Mick

grow concerned when grief-stricken Cassie disappears. Ron considers risking everything to save Jacqui's business (T)



Statin's train of death (9.00pm)

9.00 True Stories The story of the men who worked on the construction of a vast railway system ordered on the whim of Stalin which cost the lives of 60,000 Gutag prisoners (T)

10.30 Trauma The nurses working in the Bellevue emergency room (14872) 11.00 Vic Reeves' Blg Night Out (r) (9292) 11.30 Gas Cornedy introduced by Lee Mack (T)

12.05am Nightwatch Live topical phone-ins on the programmes of the day (9969964) 1.05 The Entertainer (1960, b/w) Laurence Olivier stars in John Osborne's story of a song and dance man whose career and home life are on the skids. Tony Richardson directs (T) (713983)

3.00 Ricki Lake (r) (T) (4981983) 3.45 The Camels Are Coming (1934, b/w) A vintage British cornedy starring Jack Hulbert, directed by Tim Whelan 5.05 Modern American Poets William Carlos

Williams (r) (6130380) 5.40 Film and Video Showcase (r) (7324728)

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1.25 Machinations (r) (66262501)

Shane Fenton and Danny William Directed by Don Sharp (19306018) 3.30 Here's One i Made Earlier Seafood

4.00 Bewitched (r) (T) (389) 4.30 Countdown (T) (7690673) 4.55 Ricki Lake (r) (T) (6079476) 5.30 Pet Rescue (r) (T) (853)

6.30 Rosespine A romantic dinner for two turns sour (r) (T) (178)

8.00 Tool Stories Home improvement series:



6.30 Family Affairs Jack (Ken Farrington) discovers Maria in a critical condition after being bealen and left for dead in her flat (T) (5307308)

7.00 Exclusive Showbiz gossip (4258263) 7.30 Wings Over Britain A documentary about the golden eagle (T) (5396292) 8.00 Plastic Fantastic The series on cosmetic surgery continues with a look at fiposuc-tion following Lisa as her thighs and

bottom are surgically reduced (8953871) 8.30 5 News with Kirsty Young (T) (9208768) 9,00 Poltergelst: The Legacy — The Inheritance The psychiatriet Derek hold over a woman who has inhented it from an aged eunt (T) (5276056)

9.50 Politergeist: The Legacy — The Signalman Another tale of the supernatural, based on a Charles Dickens story (T) (2304765) 10.45 Not the Jack Docherty

(5574143) 11,30 Prisoner: Cell Block H (3358650) 12.30am Live and Dangerous includes, at 1.45, motor sport (45211186)

3.45 Live and Dangerous: Futbol Americas A round-up from the Latin America soccer leagues (7742877) 4.35 The Streets of San Francisco Police drama series (T) (8022438)

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8.00wm Morning Glory (889143) 9.00 Regis and kathle Les (27018) 10.00 Another World (19414) 11.00 Days of Our Lives (99850) 12.00 The Dipah Wintrey Show (72308) 1.00pm Geratio (81056) 2.00 Selly Jessy Rephael (82016) 2.00 Jenry Jones (81582) 4.00 The Dorah Wintrey Show (77389) 5.00 Star Trak: The Need Generation (4785) 6.00 Fieel TV (7747) 8.20 Married — with Chârden (1927) 7 on The Strongors (4785) 6.00 Fieal IV (7747) 8.30 Married — with Children (1927) 7.00 The Simpsoris (5414) 7.30 M*A*S*H (8281) 8.00 Speedi (1834) 8.30 Real TV UK (2889) 8.00 The World's Scarlest Police Crassa II (32655) (10.00 The Editandinary (92132) 11.00 Star Trake The Meet Germanian (10143) 12.00 Late Show with David Letterman (82032) 1.00ami HR Mor (9798631)

7.00pm Superboy (4316899) 7.30 Superboy (5376176) 8.00 Reregade (8786747) 9.00 Police Rescus (8799211) 10.00 The New Untouchables (8708686)

11,00 in the Heat of the Night (8737037) 12,00 Hit Mix (6146322) SKY NEWS

Workwide news coverage, with bulletins on the hour, 24 hours a day, seven days a week 6.00am Happily Ever After (1978) 63790563 7.45. Menriege on the Rooks (1965) (463501) 8.45 % Could Happen to You (1994) (95686327) 11.30 Ghostbusters (1984) (38211): 1.30pm The Thief Who Came to Disner (1973) (29843414) 2.15 Happily Ever After (1978) (30891747) 5.00 The New Adven-ture of Pippi Langetocking (1988) (1978) (30891747) 5.00 The New Adventures of Pippi Langstocking (1988) (1988) (1982) 7.00 Ghouthusters (1984) (19827) 9.00 Chesers (1994) (1096576) 10.45 The Sharmhank Rademption (1984) (34204414) 1.05sm Sirens (1994) (921934) 2.40 Jeithreshers (1994) (921934) 2.55 Before the Hight (1995) (90507505) (921934) 2.40 Jefferesters (1994) 12.00 Big Shots (12167292) 1.00pm 903612) 3.55 Before the Night (1995) Woodsring: World Tour (4272714) 1.30 (90507505) Exacetantique Cuent Bizabeth II Cup (77818239) 3.90 Windowsing: World Tour (677818239) 3.90 Windowsing: World Tour (67818239) 3.90 Windowsing: World Tour (67818239) 3.90 Tensis: WTA Tourists (6881827) 7.30 The Seventit Violan (1993) (12163476) 7.30 Sports Cartine (71547853)

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SKY MOVIES GOLD 6.00pm Desire (1986) (2307679) 8.00 Pretty in Pask (1986) (3302124) 10.00 Pet-Semetary (1986) (2254105) 11.45 Body Double (1984) (218955) 14.45 Body Gorma (8t You, Socia (1989) (41454612) TNT CONTRACTOR

9.00pm The Formatic (1969) (74629989) 11.00 The Priza: (1963) (53131056) 1.20em The Biggest Bundle of Them All (1968) (74820400) 3:10-5.90 The Walking 986k (1970) (81739525) SKY SPORTS 1__

7.00em: Sports Centre (56989) 7.30 -Big Snots (88360) 8.50 Racing News (89369)-9.00 Sports Centre (43921) 9.30 Aerobics Cz Style (89211) 10.00 Golf: Andersen Consulting World Chemploriship (76747) 12.00 Aerobics Cz Style (63785) 12.30pm Wild Spirits (90327) 1.00 Footbalt Rangers v Hearts (69921) 2.30 Rugby League: Héllacty Bibbane (50872) 4.00 Walesport World (15583) 4.59 Sports Centre Hallary Bristane (50872) 4.00 Watersports
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8.00mm Athletics: World Chemplonships — Live (9930785) 10.00 Tristhipn: TIJ World Cup (99058) 11.00 Athletics: World Chem-planships (94499) 12.30 pps Mountain Sik-ing: Tour de France (8449) 1.00 Surfing: World Culck Series (40309) 1.30 Teinnis: Creat American Internation Chemplonship Great American Insurance Championship (38308) 3.00 Athletics: World Champion-ships (2533327) 3.45 Athletics: World Championships | 144, 73901120, 7.15 stripe (2552527) 3.46 Amenics World Champiorphipe —Live (7981124) 7.15 Tennis: Great American Internation Chempionshipe —Live (39035105) 8.30 Athetics: World Chempionshipe (86572) 11,00 Mountain Being Tour de France (37760) 11,30-12.50mz. Equationismismi (45785) UK GOLD UK GOLD ...

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6.30 Pinocchio (9781312) 7.00 Semura Cata (8726389) 7.30 Hero Turkes (8730124) Cats. (8728386) 7.30 Hero Turtles (8730124) 8.00 Casper (7731245) 8.30 Power Rengers (8181785) 9.30 Massied Rider (4486178) 9.30 Beedeborgs (589834) 10.00 Spideman (8738308) 11.00 X Men (2690308) 11.20 Phentom 2040 (2691037) 12.00 The Tick (4581722) 12.30 pm Lide with Louie (5893650) 1.00 Capper (8710390) 1.30 Exit (589321) 2.00 Samural Crop (2410283) 2.30 Hero Turtles (5383211) 3.00 Capper (720560) 3.30 Power Rangers (539056) 4.00 Massied Rider (5379583) 4.36 Baelioborgs (5375747) 8.00 Spideman (9260740) 6.00 X Men (5389940) 6.30-7.00 Goosekumpa (5370232)

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Hansen narrowly fails in her attempt to win a medal at world championships

Brave Lewis discovers silver lining

FROM DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT, IN ATHENS

DENISE LEWIS, seeking to become the first British woman since Mary Peters 25 years ago to win a world multi-events title, had to settle for the silver medal at the world championships here yesterday. Sabine Braun, a German finding her best form for three years, was a deserving winner of the heptathlon

Having trailed by some distance after two events on the first day, Lewis closed the gap gradually over the next four disciplines but, coming to the last event, the 800 metres, she still had a huge task on her hands. Lewis, trailing by 82 points, needed to finish six seconds ahead of Braun but, at the same time, could not afford to go for broke in case she ried up on the second lap and threw away her silver

Braun, as one would expect. chose to shadow Lewis around the track. Then, down the finishing straight, in the last 25 metres. Braun came past and Lewis knew her chance was gone. The Briton could reflect, however, on a job well done and her country's first

The consistency of the per-formances of both women was a credit to them and Lewis. with 6.654 points, was within 100 points of her British and Commonwealth record. Braun took the gold with a score of 6,739. The bronze medal went to Remigia Nazaroviena. of Lithuania,

The last time that Britain woman contesting gold at this level was in 1972. Peters, like Lewis, had a German athlete as her main opponent, Heide world record for the pentathlon - the javelin and 800 meters were added between the 1980 Olympics and the first world championships in 1983 - and Peters won by only ten points, the equivalent of

Braun was the 1991 world champion and claimed her second European title in 1994. Family tragedy threw her out of her sporting stride, though... After the death of her mother through cancer ten years ago, her sister suffered the same fate in March. For three years,

during her sister's illness. Braun could not bring herself to concentrate on training.

After completing the first day in fourth place, Lewis came to the second knowing that she needed to be at her best in the long jump. Although she jumped further than Braun, a clearance of 6.47 metres was insufficient. She needed to be somewhere



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scored more heavily than Braun, although a throw of around 56 metres was rechance in the 800 metres. She threw 52.70 metres, while Braun recorded 51.48. While any criticism of Lewis would be harsh, she will reflect on the first event, the 100 metres hurdles, and the long jump, as the disciplines that made the Ashia Hansen's attempt to

improve on her fourth place in the triple jump at the Atlanta Olympic Games last year proved unsuccessful. Perhaps the back injury that had inhibited her final preparations had been more of an inconvenience than she had been letting on, but she was half a metre down on the form that she had been looking for.

Hansen's last-round jump was her best, 14.49 metres, but she was 28 centimetres behind Yelena Govorova, from Ukraine, who took the bronze medal. Sarka Kasparkova. from the Czech Republic, who won the bronze medal at the world indoor championships in Paris in March, while Hansen left with the silver. won the gold here with 15.20 metres. Rodica Mateescu, from Romania, took the silver medal, four centimetres be-

Kasparkova is a former high jumper who was sixth at junior championships but, having failed to progress be-yond the qualifying competi-tion of the 1992 Olympic Games, she switched to the triple jump. If the triple jump had not held much appeal among women athletes prior to that, it was beginning to attract new devotees because, from 1993, it would be accepted as a world championship

From the first round last night, the task looked an uphill one for Hansen. With her opening effort, Mateescu jumped 15.16 metres -. 22 centimetres further than Hansen's British and Commonwealth record. which she set earlier in the season. Mateescu, despite appearances in world, Olympic and European championships. had never won a medal, but now she was in the form of her life. She maintained her lead until the lifth round and must have begun to think that victory would be hers.

However, Kasparkova, with her best jump of the competition standing at 15.01 metres, maede a dramatic improvement to 15.20 metres. Hansen, after five rounds, was fifth and, needed to find an extra Zi centimetres at least if she was to snatch a medal. She found

Mateescu, 26, had no international form to her name until 1994, when she finished fifth in the European championships in Helsinki. In her first world championships. in Gothenburg in 1995, she was fifth, but slipped back to seventh at the Atlanta OlymHistoric trio will run for their lives ROB HUGHES

ONE complete lap makes perfect symmetry to the Brit-ish athletes in Athens: any

less, and they are burned off

by the power sprinting of a

resurgent United States, any

submissive weariness in 30C.

But tonight, in the final of

the 400 metres men's world

championship, the three Brit-

ish entries. Jamie Baulch.

Mark Richardson and Iwan

Thomas, will run for their

lives. It is the first time in

history that a British trio has

reached the final of a 400

There is a catch. There

happens to be four Americans

in the same final, and evidence from the semi-finals vesterday

was that there is nothing physically wrong with Mich-ael Johnson. At his arrogant

ease, he finished almost walk-

ing over the line in a time of

44.37sec, which for him is

average, but for other men

How strange to record that had Roger Black, the captain

of the Great Britain team,

been afforded the same privi-

lege as Johnson, a wild-card entry. Britain could conceiv-

ably be looking at a finale against the United States this

evening. That would be less than fair to Davis Kamoga, of

Uganda, the Olympic bronze

medal-winner, who ran quick-

But dream on, share with

Richardson the exclamation

that the semi-final runs were

"superb stuff". Richardson, a

er than each of the Britons.

may prove unattainable.

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In Athens

done. Running in the first of the semi-finals. Richardson, and also Baulch, proved masters of the art of peaking for their season. Both finished behind the Tyree Washington, of the United States, but Richardson in second place and Baulch in third each recorded the best times of their

They are different personalities. Baulch being excitable and outgoing, like the trampolinist he was as a schoolboy. They ran in different styles, Richardson slowly off the blocks but cruising into contention with smooth and impressive power, and Baulch quickly away, almost as quickly as Washington, and seemingly within himself at the finish. "I didn't really go for it in the first 200 metres," Baulch told his mentor,

like a convert to the Yankee

Lewis leapt to victory in the long jump event yesterday but could not accumulate enough points to earn her the gold medal in the heptathlon

vho many believe is Britain's best prospect even though he place as it suited him, not this ful Australian Aborigine, cap-time running his best of the tivated the audience and time running his best of the year, but in a time of 44.61 quite sufficient to attack the

Of the three, Thomas has the most to learn, and with his. oft Zin build and his almost naive belief that world games are there to be run, he may carry the flag for the nation. tonight. His job, like the other two, is to help us forget the controversy surrounding Black, the demoted Olympic silver medal-winner, and to believe that Johnson, like all humans, is fallible.

Yesterday, it scarcely looked so; he appeared his only competitor, struggling to hold back the aggression that gave him 58 successive 400 metres triumphs before he foolishly became involved in the \$1 million head-to-head with Donovan Bailey in Toronto in June . Johnson was injured then, damaging a quadricep muscle; but he said yesterday, after the kindly Primo Nebiolo had changed the rules to allow a non-qualified former champion into this arena: "I don't know what shape I'll be in for the final, but I have no problems, and there were mone in the heat; all that happened was that I made a mistake." That mistake, easing up and misjudging the run of others almost, but alas for the British not quite, cost him

Cathy Freeman, that delightclaimed the women's 400 me-

tres as if it were her birthright. The time, 49.77sec, may not have approached the 47.60sec of Marita Koch or the 47.99sec of Jarmilla Kratochvilova; but European systems, Cathy Preeman is a woman exercis-

sied impishly to the crowd, a crowd still only half filling this Olympic bowl. Perhaps, given that two million people have allegedly plugged into the IAAF Athens website, they are living in darkened rooms rather than coming into the bright

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sunlight. Never mind, Freeman came I. home and, as she did in 1994. when capturing the Commonwealth title, she took the black, red and yellow Aboriginal flag in one hand, the Australian ensign in the other, and paraded with a joy that said: "I'm an athlete of my time, of my people, enjoy me."

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Loughborough sports science graduate, a worldly and laid-back fellow, pronounced him-Linford Christie. "I just strode it; I was telling myself you're self satisfied with a job well the man! At least he sounded Hollioake provides new direction cricket with the England Under-19 side against Zimbalowe at Southampton yesmoment in their life to date but the BY JOHN STERN

terday. "I can't imagine that the other players will run up and bowl ten times

better or that batsmen will get hundreds

fust because we're there, but if we can put

together good performances then maybe we can spark the others off.

BEN HOLLIOAKE thought that the last Test in the series against Australia was being played at Headingley, but he needed confirmation. One can only hope that he knows where the next one is. Such is his coolness that he appears to

inhabit his own little world. He is happy to admit that "I don't know all the grounds, I only know the Oval and Lord's". It is Lord's, of course, that he has graced twice in front of full houses and it s his obvious comfort with such situations that has prompted his selection in the England squad. along with his older brother, Adam. for the fifth Cornhill Test. starting at Trent Bridge on Thursday. "I guess they're looking for people with

match-winning qualities," Hollioake said, before his last experience of junior

"On the big occasion, people go one way or the other -- they either freeze or it inspires them. I can't say why, but the big occasion seems to get me going and there's no chance of me freezing at Trent Bridge, People are lying if they say they're not nervous before the biggest

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important thing is how you control those nerves." The weight of expectation and the media attention seems to affect him not a jot. Everyone is going to fail in Test matches at some point, even Don

Bradman failed at some stage. It would be unfortunate if it happened in my first Test but I'm sure I can handle that. I haven't really got anything to lose." His self-confidence for a young man he will not turn 20 until November - is disarming. We beat them [Australia] 3-0 in the one-dayers and beat them in the

first Test, so I can't see why we can't beat them again." Hollinake said. "I can't remember there being such a good feeling about English cricket as there was at the start of the year and that feeling swept through the whole nation."

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